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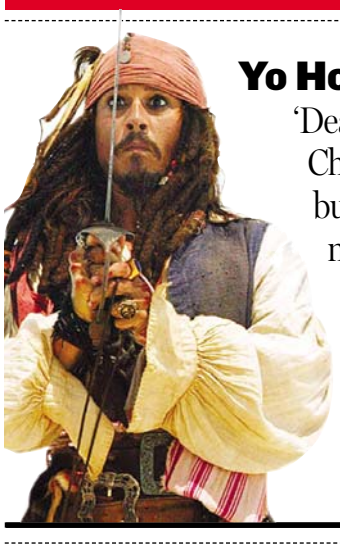

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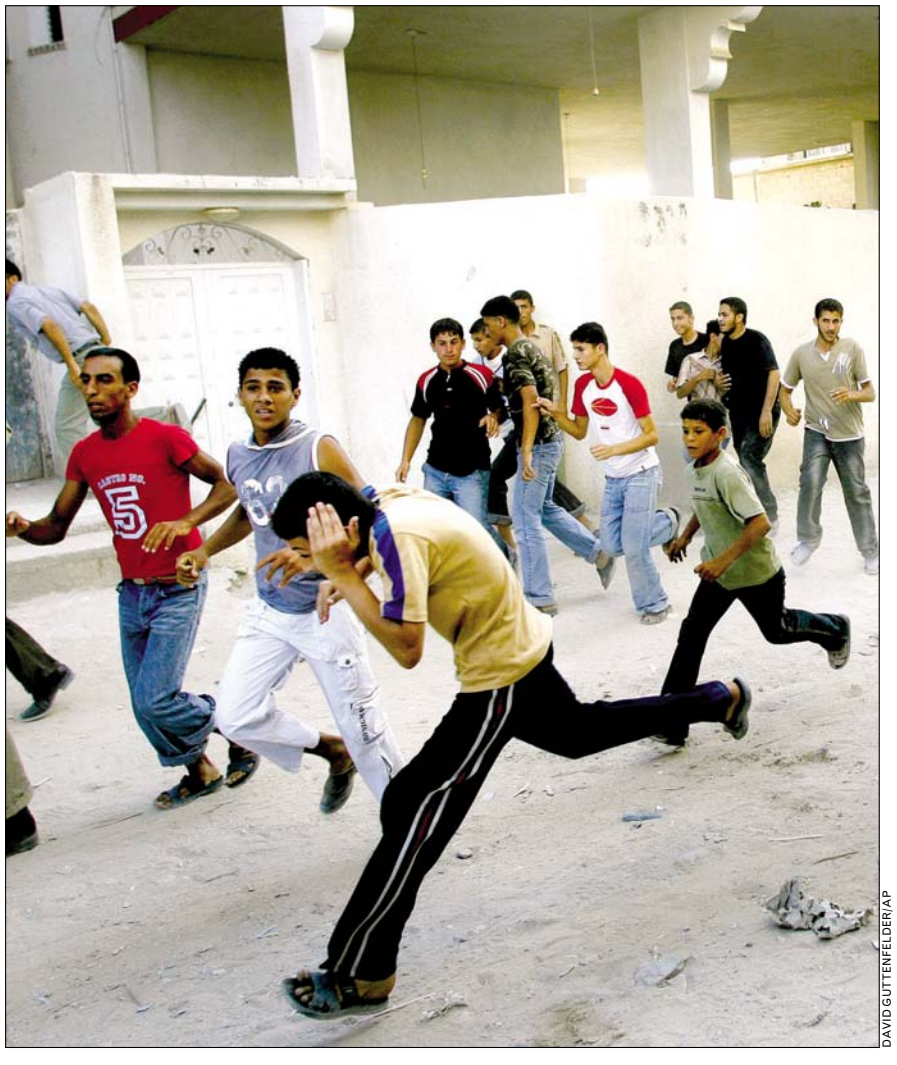
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Israel Steps Up Gaza Offensive

UNDER FIRE: Palestinians run for cover as Israeli troops open fire in Beit Lahiya, northern Gaza Strip, Thursday. Israeli troops met fierce resistance from Palestinian gunmen in the bloodiest day since Israel re-entered Gaza over a soldier's abduction. ✤ **Show of force:** Israel retakes settlements | **Page 7**

Calderon Is Winner In Mexico

Leftist vows to fight results of tight presidential election

MEXICO CITY | The ruling party's Felipe Calderon won the official count in Mexico's disputed presidential race Thursday, a come-from-behind victory for the stiff technocrat. But his leftist rival refused to concede and said he'd fight the results in court.

Calderon

Calderon, a conservative who preached free-market values and financial stability during the campaign, was already reaching out to other parties to build a "unity government." His opponent, Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, blamed fraud for his narrow loss in the vote count and called on his supporters to fill Mexico City's main square Saturday in a show of force.

With the 41 million votes counted, Calderon, a member of President Vicente Fox's National Action Party, had 35.88 percent of the votes to 35.31 percent for Lopez Obrador of the Democratic Revolution Party.

Any challenges will go before the country's top electoral court. A winner must be declared by Sept. 6. The next president begins a single six-year term on Dec. 1. (AP)

SCRIPTING | **News Splash** A Cleveland television news cameraman paid a $145 fine after he enticed three teenagers to ride their bikes through waist-high floodwaters. Gary Abrahamsen of WEWS-TV offered to put the teens on TV if they rode through

the water on a bridge, officials said, adding that a reporter waded into the water so they would be riding behind her in the video. Police cited Abrahamsen with misdemeanor disorderly conduct June 22. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | **Page 2**

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EYESORES

Outhouse Extortion — Cute Fundraising?

A Chauncey, Ohio, citizens' group is trying to pay the street light bill with a little potty humor. The Chauncey Emergency Management Group places an old-fashioned, wooden outhouse on a resident's lawn with a donation box where the toilet bowl should be and a sign on the door that says "Redneck Wishing Well." People who find the latrine in their yard have to chip in to get it shipped out. They also get to pick the next home it graces. The emergency management group's Jerry Dowler, whose phone number is posted inside the outhouse, hauls the privy in his pickup truck. (AP)

COMPETENCY

After Your Sentence, Want a Job?

A Rawmarsh, England, man has been ordered to perform community service after stealing a train and joyriding it in the rail yard, the BBC reported. Daniel Matthews and a friend took a shunting engine and drove it for about 40 minutes, stopping occasionally to change direction. Workers said Matthews was so good at driving the train, he was only caught because a security guard noticed Matthews wasn't wearing the proper uniform. "If it was not for the fact [he was] not wearing the correct clothing it would probably not have come to anybody's attention," judge Sheila Driver said. (EXPRESS)

LALOR, VILLAR/AP

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Fountain Climbing

Most times, when people think "Pamplona" and "people hurting themselves," they think of daredevils being gored by bulls. But, as this reveler showed Thursday, there are other ways to court death, such as jumping from a fountain while celebrating the "Chupinazo" — the official opening of the 2006 San Fermin fiestas in Pamplona, Spain. The fiestas, held since 1591, attract tens of thousands of foreign visitors each year for nine days of revelry, morning bull-runs and afternoon bullfights. (EXPRESS)

Gift shop T-shirts read: "I survived whale watching! Unlike the whale."

TOURISTS

But Commemorative Blubber Was a Bonus

Hunters shocked a boatload of tourists on a whale watch off Norway's Arctic on Saturday, harpooning a whale in front of them. About 80 tourists were aboard the trawler Reine, which was headed for areas off the Arctic Lofoten Islands known for their abundance of whales, when "we passed a whaling boat," the boat's skipper, Geir Maan, said. The hunters then made a kill in front of the tourists. (AP)

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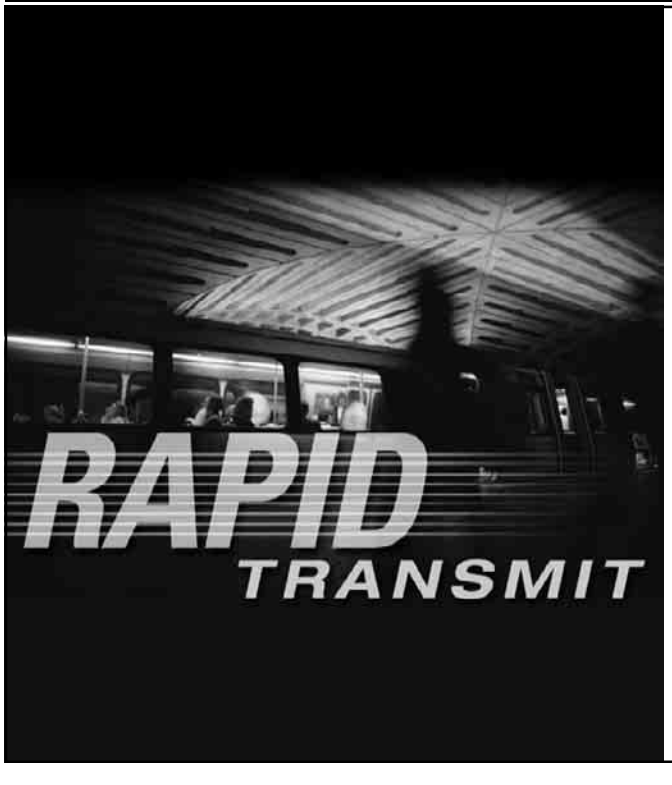

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"Let me just say this: It's a lot younger than you think."

—**President Bush,** who turned 60 on Thursday. Canadian PM Stephen Harper gave him a belt buckle, and Chinese President Hu Jintao called to wish him a "Happy Birthday."

Nation

In Brief

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Ex-Soldier Pleads Not Guilty In Iraq Rape, Killings Case

The former Army private charged with raping an Iraqi woman and killing her and her family entered a plea of not guilty through his public defenders Thursday. Steven D. Green also waived a detention and preliminary hearings, and agreed that his case would be prosecuted in the Western District of Kentucky. (AP)

Green

CLEARWATER, FLA.

Katrina Evacuees Sue To Reclaim Adopted Dogs

A New Orleans couple who left their two dogs at a shelter when fleeing Hurricane Katrina went to court to get the pets back from two women who each adopted one. A judge set a hearing to try to determine the rightful owners. Steven and Dorreen Couture left the dogs at a Louisiana animal shelter in August. The Humane Society of Pinellas placed them with the women who now refuse to return them. (AP)

Lieberman's High Stakes

➜ The fact that Sen. Joe Lieberman agreed to debate Democratic challenger Ned Lamont Thursday says he is worried about losing the primary, Shailagh Murray writes.| **AI**

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Courts Rule Against Gay Marriage

State rulings in N.Y., Ga., deal legal setback for same-sex couples

ALBANY, N.Y. | The highest courts in two states dealt gay rights advocates dual setbacks Thursday, rejecting same-sex couples' bid to win marriage rights in New York and reinstating a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage in Georgia.

Activists had hoped to widen marriage rights for gays and lesbians beyond Massachusetts with a legal victory in liberal New York, but the Court of Appeals ruled 4-2 that the state's law allowing marriage only between a man and a woman was constitutional.

The decision comes two years after gay and lesbian couples, supported by gay-rights groups who saw a chance for a major court win in a populous state, sued for the right to wed.

"It's hard to read the decision as anything other than a rebuff of gay and lesbian couples," said Ohio State University law professor Marc Spindelman, who tracks lesbian and gay legal issues.

In Georgia, where three-quarters of voters approved a ban on gay marriage when it was on the ballot in 2004, the top court reinstated the ban Thursday, ruling unanimously that it did not violate the state's single-subject rule for ballot measures. Lawyers for the plaintiffs had argued that the ballot language was misleading, asking voters to decide on same-sex marriage and civil unions, separate issues about which many people had different opinions.

The twin rulings, which came less than two hours apart, become part of the nationwide debate that has continued to evolve since a Massachusetts court ruling in late 2003 ushered in a spate of gay marriage controversies from Boston to San Francisco.

High courts in Washington state and New Jersey are deliberating cases in which same-sex couples argue they have the right to marry. A handful of other states have cases moving through lower courts.

MARK JOHNSON (AP)

CALIFORNIA | ALL EYES ON NEWEST PRIMATE

KEN BOHN/AP

FAMILY BONDING: A lesser spot-nosed guenon monkey cuddles her newborn baby on Thursday at the San Diego Zoo. The baby guenon, born in mid-May, is the first birth of this rare primate species in the zoo's history.

Fla. Top Court Rejects Tobacco Case Verdict

Court ruling overturns $145B damage award from class-action suit

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. | The Florida Supreme Court lifted a huge burden from U.S. tobacco companies Thursday when it threw out a record $145 billion punitive damage award against them even though it agreed the companies had misled smokers about the dangers of lighting up.

The court also ruled that individual smokers could sue the companies — and gave plaintiffs a potent legal weapon by upholding the trial jury's finding that the companies had negligently misled the public about the dangers and addictive nature of cigarettes.

The court, which deemed the July 2000 award excessive, also approved an appellate court ruling that it had been a mistake to certify the lawsuit as a class-action representing an estimated 300,000 to 700,000 Floridians made ill by smoking.

Tobacco stocks jumped on the news that the court had rejected an award that the industry said was potentially ruinous.

The class-action trial lasted for two years, but the seven jurors deliberated less than five hours to reach the $145 billion verdict in 2000.

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STRAIGHT OUTTA COMPAQ: Some of the country's most notorious street gangs have become Web-savvy. "Web bangers" are posting potentially incriminating photos of members holding guns, messages taunting other gangs and boasts of illegal exploits on personal Web sites and social networking sites.

N.J. Reaches Budget Deal

Gov. Corzine says government operation will resume by Friday

TRENTON, N.J. | New Jersey's governor and lawmakers reached a deal Thursday on a new state budget, six days into a state government shutdown that shuttered casinos and threw more than 80,000 people out of work.

Gov. Jon S. Corzine said a government shutdown that furloughed thousands of workers will end in the next 24 to 36 hours. Budget bills first must pass both the Senate and Assembly, he said.

Corzine cautioned that the budget accord was not cause for celebration, because too many residents' lives were disrupted.

"We have much more to do in the coming months and years to fix our state's public finances," he said.

The deal will increase the state sales tax from 6 percent to 7 percent and use half the $1.1 billion that it will raise to help lower property taxes, which are among the highest in the nation. It allows the possibility that, in future years, the entire increase will go to property tax relief.

"I honestly think that in the end with the agreement that we have reached, our state and, more importantly, our citizens are all emerging as winners," said Senate President Richard J. Codey.

Corzine shut down non-essential government operations on Saturday after the Legislature failed to pass a budget by the July 1 deadline.

More than 45,000 state workers were furloughed, including those who staff state parks and beaches and the gambling inspectors who keep an eye on the casinos. Without the gambling inspectors, Atlantic City's dozen casinos had to shut their doors Wednesday, putting 36,000 casino employees out of work.

The casinos stood to lose more than $16 million a day while shut down, and the state would lose an estimated $1.3 million a day in the taxes they normally generate.

TOM HESTER JR. (AP)

MARY GODLESKI/AP

BACK TO WORK: Casino table game managers Tom Pfau, left, and Brian Giuliani, prepare to reopen tables at Caesars Atlantic City Hotel Casino on

Global Warming May Spur Jump in Wildfires

Scientists link recent increase in blazes to burning of fossil fuels

WASHINGTON | The increase in the number of large western wildfires in recent years may be a result of global warming, researchers say.

An analysis of data going back to 1970 indicates the fires increased "suddenly and dramatically" in the 1980s and the wildfire season grew longer, according to scientists in Arizona and California.

"The increase in large wildfires appears to be another part of a chain of reactions to climate warming," said Dan Cayan, director of the climate research division at Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

MARK ZALESKI/AP

Firefighters extinguish several spot fires in Temecula, Calif., on June 30.

He said that while part of the increase may be attributed to natural fluctuations, evidence also links it to the effects of human-induced climate warming. Scientists have become increasingly concerned about the amount of carbon dioxide released into the atmosphere by the burning of fossil fuels. (AP)

Study Tackles Fines on Diplomats

NEW YORK | Researchers who examined tens of thousands of parking tickets issued to United Nations diplomats found those least likely to pay up were from countries where people hold a dim view of the United States.

The study was conducted by economists hoping to uncover why officials from some countries frequently abused their diplomatic immunity by parking illegally.

They found diplomats were more likely to run up fines if they hailed from countries with a history of unchecked corruption. (AP)

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Shuttle Docks With Space Station

Discovery astronauts link up with outpost crew after inspection

HOUSTON | Life in space returned Thursday to as close to normal as it has been since the Columbia disaster three years ago.

After the space shuttle Discovery docked with the international space station, the orbiting outpost was fully staffed with three crew members for the first time since 2003. European Space Agency astronaut Thomas Reiter arrived on the shuttle for a six-month stay.

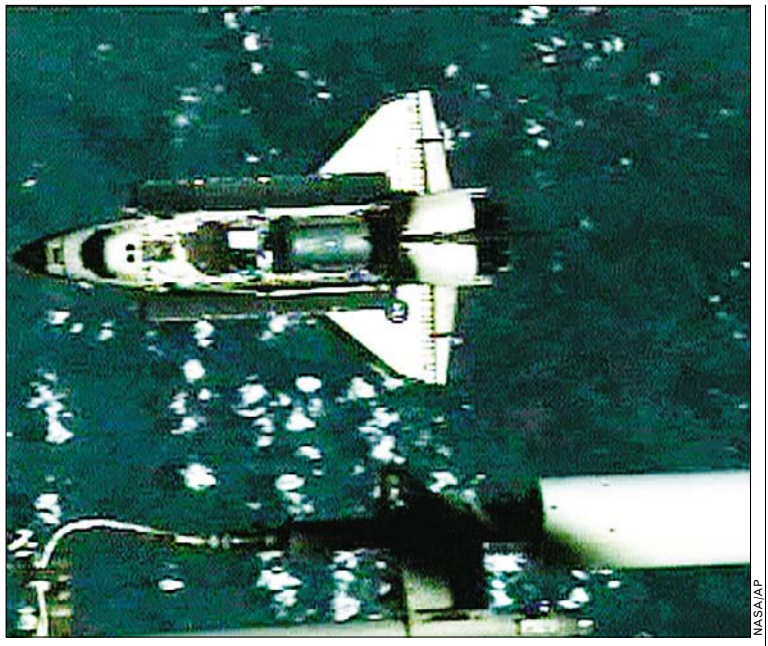
And the news for Discovery was also reminiscent of more carefree days: NASA found no major problems with the shuttle's heat shield.

Engineers were still looking Thursday at pictures taken of the shuttle and beamed back to Earth, finding a few areas they want to examine more closely, but nothing of serious concern. After a lunchtime hatch opening, both crews exchanged hugs and handshakes and relished the trouble-free flight.

Before Discovery docked with the station Thursday, commander Steve Lindsey flew the shuttle into a back flip maneuver so the space station crew could take 350 photographs of the tiles on the belly of Discovery.

Engineers were looking for signs that hard insulating foam from the shuttle's external tank hit the shuttle during launch. Damage from falling foam led to Columbia's destruction in 2003, when all seven astronauts died after fiery gases entered a breach in a wing during re-entry.

SETH BORENSTEIN (AP)



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CLOSER LOOK: Space Shuttle Discovery is backdropped against the Earth as it finishes a back flip maneuver before docking with the space station on Thursday.

Indicted DeLay To Stay on GOP's November Ballot

AUSTIN | The Texas Republican Party must keep Tom DeLay's name on the November ballot, even though the former congressman has dropped his re-election bid, a federal judge ruled Thursday.

DeLay, the former House majority leader who resigned June 9 and is under indictment, won the Republican primary for his district in March but decided against re-election a month later.

He is awaiting trial on money laundering and conspiracy charges connected to the financing of Texas legislative campaigns in 2002.

GOP leaders want another Republican to replace DeLay on the ballot and say state election law allows them to select one because DeLay has moved out of Texas. (AP)

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55 | **The percentage of Europeans** who support the European Union, a new opinion poll finds — an increase of 5 percent from a previous survey. Ireland had the highest level of membership support with 77 percent backing the EU.

World

In Brief

GEMUNU AMARASINGHE/AP

Sri Lankans protest the murder of a local reporter in Colombo on Thursday.

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA

Journalists Protest After Local Reporter Found Dead

Sri Lankan journalists demonstrated Thursday to protest the killing of a local freelance reporter, who wrote mostly on the country's separatist conflict involving the government and Tamil Tiger rebels. The bullet riddled body of Sampath Lakmal, 24, was found in Dehiwala, a suburb in the capital Colombo last Sunday after he had left home having received two telephone calls, his family members said. (AP)

MOGADISHU, SOMALIA

Militia Arrests 2 Members Over World Cup Killings

The Islamic group that controls Somalia's capital arrested two of its own militiamen for killing two people who were watching a World Cup soccer match, the group's leader said Thursday. The two detained militiamen allegedly shot a teenage girl and a businessman who defied their orders to stop watching the match between Italy and Germany on Tuesday. (AP)

CHISINAU, MOLDOVA

Eight Die, 46 Injured in Mysterious Bus Explosion

An explosion ripped apart a small civilian bus in the Moldovan separatist republic of Trans-Dniester early Thursday, killing eight people and injuring 46, the republic's official Olvia Pres news agency said. The cause of the explosion was not immediately clear. But a separatist official suggested that a passenger linked to criminal groups might have been carrying a bomb that went off accidentally, according to a Russian news agency. (AP)

Bloody Clashes Erupt in Gaza Strip

Intense fighting amid offensive kills at least 21 Palestinians, 1 Israeli

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ON GUARD: Israeli soldiers take up positions in a house during a military operation in the northern Gaza Strip on Thursday.

BEIT LAHIYA, GAZA STRIP | Palestinian militants armed with AK-47s and rocket-propelled grenades battled Israeli helicopters and tanks Thursday in the bloodiest day since Israel invaded Gaza over a soldier's capture. Twenty-one Palestinians and one Israeli soldier were killed as Israeli forces retook three empty Jewish settlements nearly a year after abandoning them.

Israel's main goal in extending Israel's largest operation in Gaza since it unilaterally evacuated the territory was to carve out a temporary buffer zone to prevent militants from firing more rockets at Israel.

After touring Gaza's main hospital, Palestinian Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh of Hamas called for international intervention to stop the Israeli offensive, which he called a "crime against humanity."

Haniyeh called the Israeli push "a desperate effort to undermine the Palestinian government under the pretext of a search for the missing soldier."

Throughout the day, Israeli aircraft targeted Palestinian militants with missile strikes, while Israeli tanks took up positions among tightly packed Palestinian homes. Apache helicopters hovered overhead, firing flares and machine guns to support ground forces engaged in fierce skirmishes with masked Palestinian gunmen.

Interior Minister Said Siyyam of the ruling Hamas party, issued the Palestinian government's first call to arms since Israeli ground forces invaded Gaza last week, appealing to all security forces to fulfill their "religious and moral duty to stand up to this aggression and cowardly Zionist invasion."

Siyyam doesn't carry much weight with the bulk of the security forces, however, because most are loyal to the Fatah party led by the moderate Palestinian president, Mahmoud Abbas. IBRAHIM BARZAK AND SARAH EL D (AP)

Gunmen Abduct Dutch Oil Worker In Nigeria's Delta

YENAGOA, NIGERIA | Armed men kidnapped a Dutch oil worker in Nigeria's chaotic southern delta Thursday, the second hostage-taking in less than 24 hours in a region where regular raids continue to destabilize oil production.

Nigerian police said the assailants arrived at the Shell plant in speedboats and kidnapped a Dutch employee of Westminster Dredging, a contractor to Royal Dutch Shell PLC.

Kidnappings in the restive and impoverished Niger Delta have been common in recent months, with militants using the hostages to bargain for a greater share of the wealth from Africa's largest crude producer. (AP)

North Korea Defiant on Missile Tests

Pyongyang declares it has right to hold drills for country's defense

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA | North Korea angrily mocked international criticism of its multiple missile tests, threatening on Thursday to fire off more rockets.

In the face of nearly unanimous world condemnation of the seven missile tests on Wednesday, Pyongyang's foreign minister released a blustery statement declaring that it had the right to develop and test its weapons — and vowing unspecified retaliation against anyone who tries to stop it.

"Our military will continue with missile launch drills in the future as part of efforts to strengthen self-defense deterrent," said the statement. "If anyone intends to dispute or add pressure about this, we will have to take stronger physical actions in other forms."

JUNG YEON-JE/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Visitors to the Korea War Memorial Museum in Seoul view missile displays.

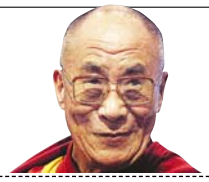
The aggressive stance from Pyongyang coincided with intense diplomatic activity in world capitals to formulate a response to the tests. Washington and its allies clamored for sanctions against the North, but struggled against resistance by China and Russia.

Japanese officials said they had no indications another Taepodong test was being prepared, and South Korean officials said the launches were not imminent.

Still, the North pulled no punches in its statement, hailing the launches on Wednesday as a success and making no mention of the Taepodong-2 failure.

The ministry also denied it had violated a missile moratorium, saying it was only in effect when Pyongyang was in dialogue with the U.S. JOSEPH COLEMAN (AP)

World



THE BIG 7-1: Thousands of admirers and Tibetan exiles gathered in Dharamsala, India, Thursday to celebrate the 71st birthday of the Dalai Lama. Earlier this week, the spiritual leader canceled a scheduled tour of Europe after doctors said he was suffering from exhaustion.

London Bombings Still Reverberate

One year after transit attacks, city grapples with terrorism fears

LONDON | London's sweaty subway cars are as jam-packed as ever this summer and red double-decker buses still roll through the capital crowded with commuters and photo-snapping tourists.

A year after suicide bombers brought carnage and chaos to three Underground trains and one of the city's iconic buses, life in the capital has returned to normal — almost.

The fear isn't entirely gone. It's just covered over by a veneer of calm, an uneasy sense of normality that could be shattered by another attack.

Memories of July 7, 2005, when an ordinary Thursday morning commute turned horrific, are never far from the surface. The bombs, which killed 52 commuters and injured 700, have changed Britain in ways large and small.

News that the four young attackers were all born or raised in Britain stunned many and strained ties between the country's large Muslim community and the wider population.

Rights activists, meanwhile, worry new anti-terror powers threaten civil liberties, and two mistaken shootings by officers have undermined public trust in the police.

Londoners were hardened by years of Irish Republican Army bombings in the 1980s and early '90s. And fearful or not, many must rely on public transportation in a city where travel costs are high.

"Terrorism has always been a factor and will always be a threat in this country, but I can't be scared," said Jason Dolby, 18, on his way into Oxford Circus station.

Within days of the bombings, detectives identified those they believed responsible — four young men dead in the wreckage with their victims. But a year later, police don't know to what extent others may have aided them and the search for a wider network appears stalled.

The huge police presence in London that immediately followed the attacks has largely vanished, but security remains tight.

David Warman, 35, helped emergency workers after a No. 30 bus blew up in north London's Tavistock Square and still suffers nightmares. "I've never sat on a bus since. I won't even stand near one," he said. BETH GARDINER (AP)

LEFTERIS PITARAKIS/AP

CLOSE WATCH: A police officer works with a sniffer dog as they conduct searches as part of security measures at the King's Cross Underground station in London.

VIDEO WARNS U.K. OF TERROR CAMPAIGN

A video reportedly made by one of the London bombers and newly broadcast Thursday by Al-Jazeera TV predicts a "series of attacks."

➜ Shehzad Tanweer, one of the suicide bombers who struck London's transit system a year ago, warned in a video that the attacks were only the beginning of a campaign of terror. "What you have witnessed now is only the beginning of a series of attacks that will continue and increase in strength until you withdraw your soldiers from Afghanistan and Iraq and until you stop your financial and military support for America and Israel," he said. (AP)

Suicide Car Blast Kills 12 in Iraq

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | A suicide car bomber attacked Iranian pilgrims Thursday as they got off tour buses at a Shiite Muslim shrine south of Baghdad, killing 12 people and wounding 39.

The bomber struck about 7:15 a.m. in Kufa, a Shiite holy city 100 miles south of Baghdad, detonating a minivan loaded with explosives behind two buses unloading pilgrims, police said.

Eight of the dead and 22 of the injured were Iranians, said Dr. Munthir al-Athari, a provincial health official. Three of the dead Iranians were women, he said.

At least 19 other people were killed Thursday across Iraq, including 11 men whose bullet-riddled bodies were found in several locations across Baghdad, police said. Several showed signs of torture.

No group claimed responsibility for the Kufa blast, but suspicion fell on Sunni religious extremists and supporters of Saddam Hussein. Many Sunnis fear the rise of Iraq's Shiite majority will lead to greater influence by Shiite-dominated Iran, with which Iraq fought a bloody war in 1980-88. QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA (AP)

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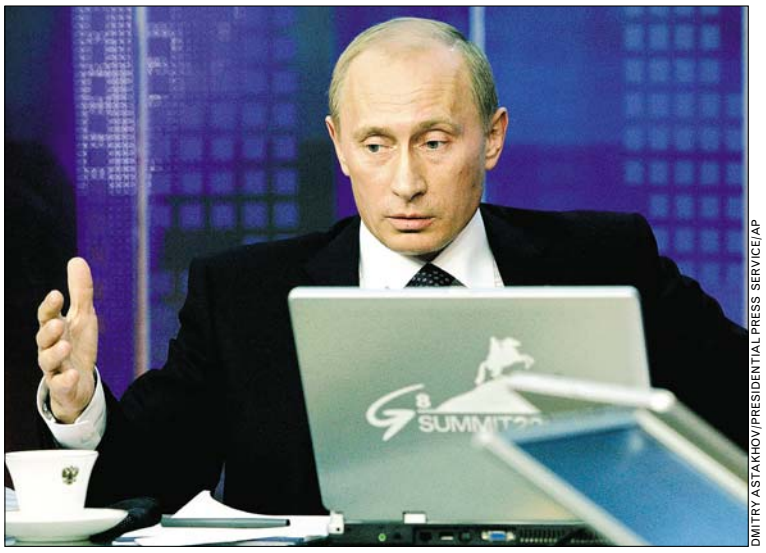

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ON THE LINE: Russian President Vladimir Putin discusses a question submitted to him during a live Internet conference broadcast from Moscow on Thursday.

Putin Talks World Issues in Webcast

Russian leader tackles topics from Chechnya to democratic reform

MOSCOW | Russian President Vladimir Putin on Thursday spoke out against sanctions on North Korea and Iran, calling for more diplomatic efforts in the standoffs over their nuclear programs and sought to reassure European consumers that Russia was a reliable gas supplier.

In a live Internet conference aired on British Broadcasting Corp. Web sites — part of a charm offensive before the summit of the Group of Eight major industrialized nations that he is hosting in just over a week — Putin also described the U.S. as a key Russian partner and its president as a friend, but warned against U.S. world dominance.

Answering only a few of the thousands of questions that dealt with personal details or quirky issues such as whether Russia would deploy giant humanoid robots to protect its borders, Putin also defended the devastating military campaign in Chechnya, saying Russia would do all it can to preserve its territorial integrity.

"Of course it was worth it," Putin said of the war that Moscow launched when he was prime minister in 1999, the second Moscow has waged against separatist militants in the mostly Muslim southern region since the Soviet breakup.

Asked whether Russia regretted its bitter New Year's dispute with Ukraine over natural gas prices, which led to disruptions in supplies in some European countries when Russia halted shipments meant for Ukraine, Putin fired back by blaming the shortages on Ukraine, which was resisting a fourfold increase.

Visibly displeased, Putin opposed what he said were efforts by "somebody" in the West to coerce Russia into subsidizing other ex-Soviet republics with cheap gas prices.

Asked whether Russia has become more authoritarian under his rule, he said, "Of course I do not agree," insisting the country has irrevocably chosen a democratic path. "I am sure that without the development of democracy, freedom of the press and civil society, Russia has no future." (AP)

A Kremlin Crackdown?

➜ Russian regulators have forced more than 60 radio stations to stop broadcasting news reports produced by Voice of America and Radio Free Europe, radio managers and other officials say. | Today, A1

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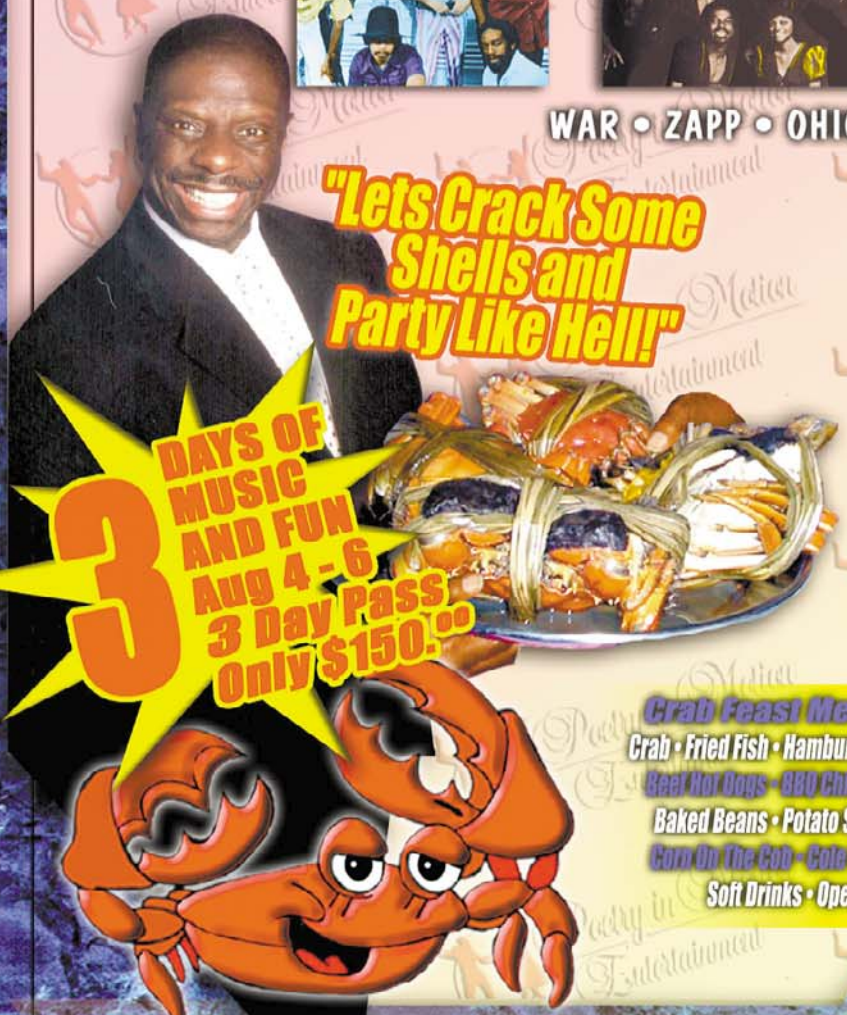

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NOAH'S ARCHIVES: While repairs continue from last week's flooding, National Archives officials have set up a tent in front of the visitor's entrance, offering information about the Archives — closed until Tuesday — and items from the gift shop.

Local

Metro to Try SmarTrip-Only Lanes

Officials hope 'express' gates ease waits when tourists have problems

WASHINGTON | Metro passengers who use a SmarTrip card will soon be in the fast lane through the fare gates.

Officials with the transit agency voted Thursday to test "express lanes" at three stations this fall for users of the microchip-embedded cards that are used to pay for bus and rail fares and parking.

There will be four "express lanes" on the north mezzanine at the Anacostia station and at the New Carrollton and Vienna Metrorail stations. The remaining fare gates will accept paper fare cards and SmarTrip.

About 80 percent of riders at those stations pay fares with SmarTrip, Metro officials said. Overall, about 53 percent of Metrorail riders and 18 percent of Metrobus riders use SmarTrip cards.

The "express lanes" will allow 32 customers per minute to pass through, compared with 22 per minute at the other gates. Some customers had complained that they were impeded by tourists and other passengers who have trouble using fare cards.

"By creating 'express lanes' in Metrorail stations we hope to speed the trip for SmarTrip users and ease congestion at the fare gates," said Metro Interim General Manager Dan Tangherlini.

Also Thursday, the Metro board voted to approve a four-year collective bargaining agreement with train and bus operators, mechanics and other employees belonging to its largest labor union. (AP)

Evacuation Test on 4th A Success

Crowds make a quick exit from Washington downtown in exercise

WASHINGTON | The July 4 test of the city's emergency evacuation plan was a success, leading to a relatively quick exit for hundreds of thousands of people who gathered downtown to watch fireworks, District of Columbia officials said.

During Tuesday's Operation Fast Forward II exercise, additional police officers and traffic control personnel were assigned to key intersections where bottlenecks developed during the plan's first test a year ago.

Police also kept Constitution and Independence avenues closed for 30 minutes after the fireworks. That change allowed pedestrians to leave the National Mall without dodging the vehicles of anxious motorists.

Douglas Noble, chief traffic engineer for the city's Department of Transportation, gave the overall exercise a grade of A-minus.

DERRILL HOLLY (AP)

Mayor Williams Keeps Loaded Travel Agenda

Trip to Europe, Africa is his longest absence from the city this year

WASHINGTON | Mayor Williams is maintaining the busy foreign travel schedule he has established during the last few years, despite a pledge to be more involved in the city during his final months in office.

The mayor, who is retiring after his second term expires in January, is in the midst of a two-week trip that has brought him to London, Turkey, Paris and now South Africa.

It continues a trend of foreign travel that members of Williams' administration believe is crucial to being an effective leader, but has led Williams' critics to dub him "out-of-town Tony."

Williams said in November that he wanted to concentrate on issues at home.

"What I plan on doing now in the next year is to be really involved here in the city," he said.

But his travel schedule is almost as busy as ever. The current trip marks Williams' longest absence from the city this year. (AP)

IN The Washington Post | ANTI-SLOTS RALLY

MARK GONG/AP

CASI-NO: T'Chaka Sapp, a commissioner of Ward 8, chants "No Slots!" to protesters Thursday at the site of a proposed slots venue in Anacostia. The group urged residents not to sign a pro-slots petition. | **Metro Section**

Cropp Campaign Sure of Ballot Spot

WASHINGTON | Officials with District of Columbia Council Chairman Linda Cropp's mayoral campaign said Thursday she will easily make the Democratic primary ballot, despite reports that some people who circulated her nominating petitions were paid by the signature.

While paying circulators is legal, the reports could lead to a challenge of her petitions like the one four years ago that got Mayor Williams kicked off the primary ballot and fined $250,000. He was re-elected after winning the primary as a write-in candidate.

Cropp campaign spokesman Ron Eckstein said that political consultant Marshall Brown of Capitol Solutions LLC paid homeless people $1 for every signature they gathered. (AP)

The Lotteries

Thursday, July 6

DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	5-5-9
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	4-9-4
Mid-day DC 4	5-2-9-2
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	6-5-7-4
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	08-15-22-28-30
Daily 6 (Wed.)	23-26-29-30-36-37 (11)
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	9-23-26-28-34 (3)

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	3-1-1
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	6-2-9
Mid-day Pick 4	8-3-4-4
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	3-4-4-6
Match 5 (Wed.)	01-19-21-30-36 (12)
Multi-Match (Wed.)	06-08-12-13-24-36

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3	2-5-5
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	5-2-9
Mid-day Pick 4	2-4-5-8
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	5-2-5-7
Mid-day Cash 5	01-05-08-10-24
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	01-15-19-21-29
Win For Life (Wed.)	14-16-32-34-41-42 (28)

MULTI-STATE GAMES

Powerball (Wed.)	26-39-41-52-53 (20)
Power Play	x2

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

Money

WEALTHY APPETITE: An investor, using the alias "fastisslow," won lunch with business pioneer Warren Buffett in an online charity auction Thursday, Reuters reports. The $620,100 winning bid shattered a previous record for the fund raiser.

AOL Mulls Shift To Free Services

Web company may move toward ad-based model, sources report

NEW YORK | AOL LLC may give away even more of its services, including its vaunted AOL.com e-mail accounts now limited to paying subscribers, to boost ad revenues and offset declines in subscriptions, a person familiar with the discussions said Thursday.

One proposal under consideration among top AOL executives calls for Time Warner Inc.'s online unit to stop charging subscription fees to users who have high-speed Internet access or even dial-up service from a rival provider.

The person familiar with the talks said a major review over the past several months sought to identify ways to keep users within the AOL family regardless of whether they want to keep paying monthly fees of as much as $25.90 a month.

Under the plan, first reported by The Wall Street Journal, the Dulles, Va., company would continue to charge the fees for those needing dial-up access through AOL.

Over the past year and a half, AOL has been making more of its articles, video and other services available for free on its ad-supported Web sites. But some features, including AOL.com e-mail, remained available only to paying subscribers. AOL had 18.6 million U.S. subscribers as of March 31.

Rob Enderle, an industry analyst with the Enderle Group, said AOL needs to avoid becoming a company "caught in the middle" — trying to juggle both a paying subscriber base and a free, ad-based model without doing either well.

The AOL plan requires ad revenues to grow significantly, although some of the lost revenue could be offset by lower expenses, including layoffs in marketing and customer service. ANICK JESDANUN (AP)

Sky-High Oil Prices Retreat Slightly

WASHINGTON | Oil prices in New York retreated from record territory but held above $75 a barrel on Thursday as gasoline demand — and geopolitical tensions — remain high.

The Energy Department said Thursday that U.S. gasoline consumption over the past four weeks averaged 9.5 million barrels a day, or 1.4 percent more than a year ago.

Light sweet crude for August delivery fell 5 cents to settle at $75.14 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. On Wednesday, oil futures touched an intraday record of $75.40 before settling at $75.19, an all-time closing high on Nymex, where oil trading began in 1983.

America's growing motor-fuel appetite comes despite an average nationwide pump price that is just pennies below $3 a gallon — a level many analysts once believed would sap consumption. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Advo	35.39	+11.13	+45.9
RockTen	17.25	+1.64	+10.5
Acuity	43.00	+3.49	+8.8
Thai	9.63	+.77	+8.7
PeopEn	39.06	+3.08	+8.6

Losers

ParPharm	13.47	-4.78	-26.2
FstMarb	46.75	-8.84	-15.9
Valassis	19.57	-3.65	-15.7
Levitt	14.52	-1.29	-8.2
Accuride	11.30	-.95	-7.8

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
EscalaGp h	6.40	+1.96	+44.1
Forward	5.90	+1.43	+32.0
PointrTel	7.97	+1.47	+22.6
DiedrichC	3.58	+.60	+20.1
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Losers

OpnwvSy	7.77	-3.70	-32.3
NtScout	6.09	-2.55	-29.5
MultiFnElc	26.50	-5.75	-17.8
CitiTrends	35.01	-7.37	-17.4
AladnKn	17.02	-3.33	-16.4

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.00
Fed Funds close	5.25	5.0625
3-month disc	4.88	4.89
2-year	5.21	5.28
10-year	5.18	5.25
30-year	5.22	5.29

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5445	.5450	.5692
Canadian Dollar	1.1127	1.1110	1.2374
European Euro	.7828	.7854	.8388
Japanese Yen	115.15	115.71	112.14
Mexican Peso	11.0520	11.1890	10.7710
Taiwanese Dollar	32.43	32.37	31.92

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Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AbtLab	43.78	+.17	+11.0
Allergan	107.22	+.56	-.7
AstraZen	59.71	+.81	+22.9
BarrPhm	47.38	+.40	-23.9
BrMySq	25.39	+.17	+10.5
ForestLab	38.85	+.09	-4.5
Hospira	43.05	-.13	+.6
IvaxCorp	25.98	...	-17.1
JohnJn	60.52	+.48	+.7
LillyEli	56.67	+.45	+.1
Merck	36.66	-.03	+15.2
Pfizer	23.68	...	+1.5
SchergPl	19.16	+.20	-8.1
Sepracor	55.50	+.58	+7.6
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OPEN COMPETITION: Prospective roommates and current residents of the Adams Morgan home gather during an open house.

Perfect Stranger

How to be a top-pick roommate in the group-house lottery

In a five-bedroom house in Adams Morgan, the race is on.

The prize is a sunny bedroom featuring scratched wood floors, a shared bathroom and, thanks to the whooping monkeys a half-mile away at the National Zoo, no need for an alarm clock.

The rent is $710, and the competition is strong.

On a Sunday afternoon, 16 people prowl through the house. Another seven sniff out the territory later.

"It's a popularity contest, and it's impossible," said one of the contestants, Chrissy Moore. "People will do anything to live in the city. I know people who are splitting 300-square-foot studios."

Judgments about prospective roommates are "very much based on gut instinct," said John D. Krumboltz, a professor of education and psychology at Stanford University. "You're not going to review this person's résumé. You can usually tell immediately if they show signs of warmth and friendliness, which most of us welcome, or if they exhibit hostility or aloofness that most people find off-putting."

Fair or not, physical appearance may play a larger role in forming first impressions than anything the candidate might say, according to experts.

"It's not just the sheer level of a person's attractiveness, but more along the lines of, 'What's the stereotype of this type of person?'" said Mark R. Leary, chair of the department of psychology at Wake Forest University. "You pick up physical clues — someone is wearing too much makeup, or it's a man with hair on his face. It's the same as the snap judgments we make about people if we pass them on the street."

The clothes someone wears, for instance, might remind you of another person or mirror your own preferences.

To be sure, impressions reveal only so much. "You can tell how extroverted or introverted or nice versus mean someone is," said Leary. "It's harder to tell whether that person is going to steal my money."

Candidates are offered a 10- or 15-minute tour of the premises. These visits may look informal, but the incumbents pay close attention to the visitors' behavior and personality.

While the roommates have no clear favorite, the group quickly realizes there was one person with whom they all felt comfortable.

Kennedy Kern was memorable partly because of the T-shirt she wore. It showed a picture of a relaxed, smiling Buddha.

Kern, a Census Bureau computer programmer who is studying for an MBA, had visited almost 20 houses in the preceding month. She could have rented an apartment on her own, but she wanted to live in a group house because her busy schedule didn't allow her much time for other socializing. And she didn't want just any collection of fellow tenants.

"As I became more savvy about using the time in the house well, the thing I wanted to know was not necessarily what the room looked like but how people interacted with each other," she said.

Her advice: "Maybe you shouldn't leave too strong of an impression, so you can get along with everyone in the house." REBECCA ADAMS (SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST)

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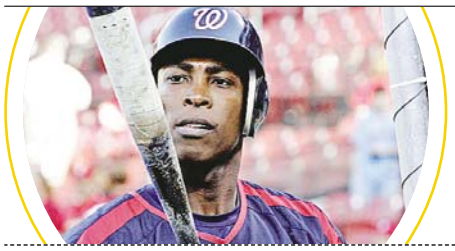

NATIONALS

Staying Put? Despite playing in the outfield, Alfonso Soriano is an All-Star and wants to stay in D.C. So, should the Nats bite? | 17

Sports Weekend

Encore Man

34-year-old Zidane finishes his career by leading France to final

WORLD CUP | Zinedine Zidane will end his soccer career in the World Cup final.

And France's advancement to Sunday's title match against Italy in Berlin had a lot to do with the soon-to-retire midfielder.

Zidane, who came out of international retirement to help France qualify for this year's tournament, scored from the penalty spot in the 33rd minute to give his team a 1-0 victory over Portugal.

After Thierry Henry was clipped by Ricardo Carvalho, Zidane sent the spot kick into the bottom left corner, just out of the reach of Portugal goalkeeper Ricardo Pereira.

It was Zidane's 30th goal for Les Bleus on his 107th appearance, and second at this World Cup. That put him in a tie for fourth place with Just Fontaine and Jean-Pierre Papin on France's all-time scorers list.

Zidane also scored in the second-round win over Spain.

The 34-year-old Zidane has said that he will retire from soccer after the World Cup, 12 years after making his International debut and eight years after helping the team win its only World Cup title.

Six years ago, also against Portugal, Zidane's golden goal penalty sent France into the European Championship final, where Les Bleus also played Italy. Zidane's performance against Portugal this time was solid. He kept the midfield ticking along with neat passes, slowing or accelerating when needed.

But it was not better than his quarterfinal showing against Brazil — one of his best ever performances and perhaps better than in the 1998 final.

His precise passes split open Brazil's defense, his dragbacks sent players the wrong way, and he even twice pointed one way as if to indicate the direction of his pass and then turned around sharply in his signature spin move.

"When you see him play like that, it's others who should be stopping, not him," France defender Lilian Thuram said after the win over Brazil.

Zidane, who played his last club season for Real Madrid, was named FIFA World Player of the Year three times. He won the prestigious Golden Ball in 1998, awarded to the best player in Europe.

A player of uncommon skill and rare technical poise, Zidane's ability to control almost any ball, his elegance, vision of the game and penchant for big-game goals has seen him compared with some of the greatest creative talents in the game, like Michel Platini and Johan Cruyff.

"Technically, I think he is the king of what's fundamental in the game — control and passing," Platini has said. "I don't think anyone can match him when it comes to controlling or receiving the ball." (AP)

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WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN THE FINAL

Italy and France have met four times in the World Cup. Italy leads 2-1-1. Here are some other things to think about:

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- France's players average nearly 30 years of age; among Cup winners, only Brazil had an average over 28.
- Italy's 11 goals have been scored by 10 different players. The 1982 French team, which finished fourth, is the only other team in World Cup history to feature 10 goal scorers.
- This is the first final since 1990 without Brazil.
- Les Bleus are now Les Blancs — France will wear its white alternates for the fourth consecutive game.

OLYMPICS | **Bake Sale Wouldn't Fly?** London officials are looking to the lottery to help fund the Olympics. A lottery game called Dream Number will help raise money for the 2012 London Olympics. The funds will be used for venues and the Olympic village, National Lottery operator Camelot said. Tickets have a seven-digit number, with a top prize of $920,000. The game will be played every Wednesday and Saturday, starting July 15. The lottery operator hopes to raise $1.37 billion from Olympic-themed games. (AP)

TV Lineup

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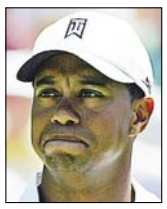
Miguel Tejada, top, and the Orioles are in Cleveland to face off with the Indians.

TRIBE CALLED QUEST: Completing a trip around the midwest, the Orioles travel from Chicago to Cleveland, where they'll play the Indians on Friday (7 p.m. on MASN), Saturday (7 p.m. on MASN) and Sunday (1 p.m. on MASN).

DODGE BALL: The Nationals dodged Marlins ace Dontrelle Willis this week, and when the Padres come to town for games on Friday (7 p.m. on Ch 20), Saturday (7 p.m. on MASN) and Sunday (1 p.m. on MASN), the Nats will avoid having to face Jake Peavy.

A BREATHER: Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson haven't played since the U.S. Open last month. Coverage of the Western Open continues on Friday (4 p.m. on USA), Saturday (2 p.m. on ABC) and Sunday (12:30 on ABC). And the women's match play event finishes up on Sunday (3 p.m. on CBS).



Woods

A FULL CUP: The World Cup final pits France against Italy on Sunday (1:30 p.m. on ABC), and Germany and Portugal battle for the third-place crown on Saturday (3 p.m. on ESPN). Also, D.C. United plays at Columbus Saturday (7:30 p.m. on Comcast).

SEMI-CHARMED: The women's Wimbledon final is Saturday (9 a.m. on NBC). But the men play semifinals on Friday (8:30 a.m. on ESPN2) and the finals on Sunday (9 a.m. on NBC).

For Nats: Déjà Vu

Rookie Zimmerman is again a late-game hero as D.C. wins 8-7 in 11

NATIONALS | Two days after hitting a game-ending home run, Ryan Zimmerman delivered a game-winning, two-out single in the 11th inning Thursday, scoring Brian Schneider and giving the Washington Nationals an 8-7 victory over the Florida Marlins.

Zimmerman entered the game leading the National League with 34 hits with runners in scoring position, and the rookie third baseman has hit walk-off homers on Father's Day and Independence Day. His latest hit gave him 58 RBIs, tops among all rookies in the majors.

Chad Cordero (5-3) pitched two innings for the victory. Loser Jason Vargas (1-2) was recalled from Triple-A Albuquerque earlier in the day.

The game got off to a fast start — the Nationals scored five runs in the first inning, the Marlins came back to score seven times in the second. Both missed chances to win in the ninth. With Reggie Abercrombie 90 feet away from home and none out, Washington reliever Bill Bray recovered to strike out Wes Helms and throw out Hanley Ramirez on a dribbler in front of home plate.

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Rookie Ryan Zimmerman celebrates his third walk-off hit in the last month.

In the bottom half, Washington pinch hitter Daryle Ward and Alfonso Soriano hit one-out singles, but reliever Matt Herges retired Jose Vidro and Zimmerman to send the game to extra innings.

Nationals starter Livan Hernandez suffered through another miserable outing, matching a career-low by lasting only 1 2/3 innings for the second time in three games.

The Nats took three of four from the Marlins. Washington has won four of its last five games, while Florida has lost four of five. (AP)

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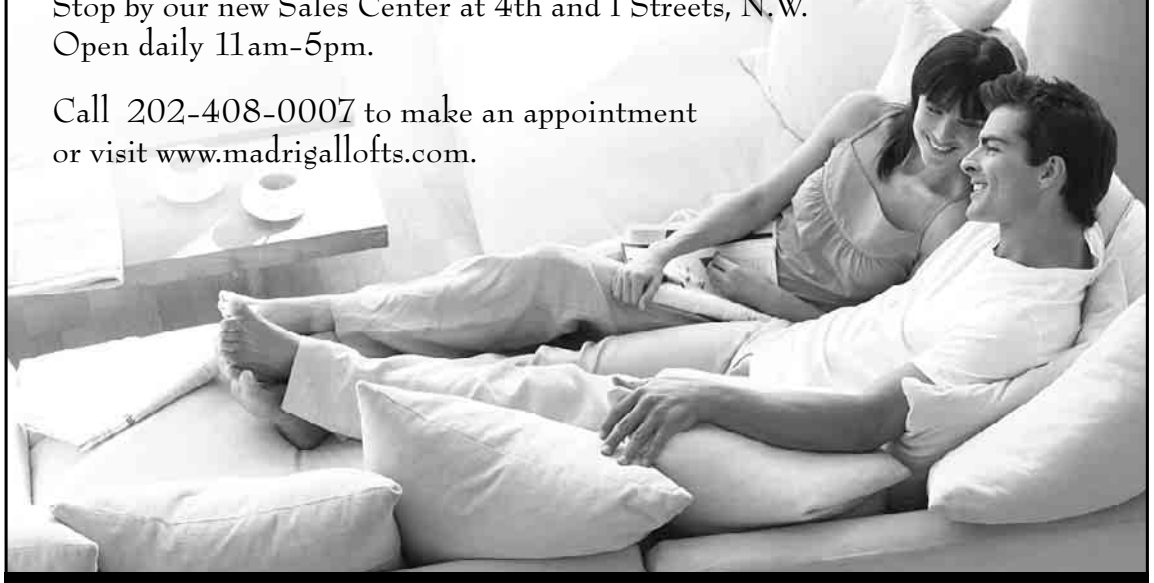

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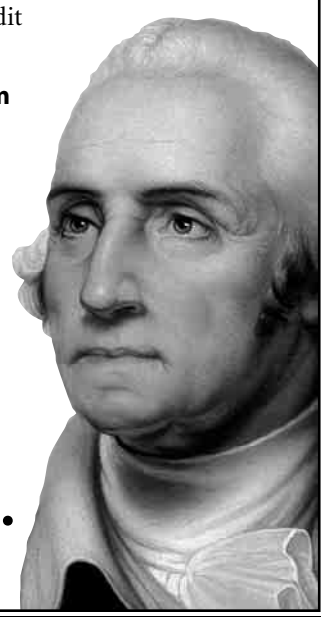

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Leader in the Dugout

Soriano leads the Nats in most offensive stats, and is an All-Star OF

NATIONALS | Walks don't sell tickets. They rarely make you famous, and they never put you in the All-Star game.

But if there's an untold story to Alfonso Soriano's prodigious first half, it may be his improved ability to keep his bat on his shoulder.

"That's what I've tried to do all of my five years in the big leagues — be more patient at home plate," he said. "If I'm more patient, I'm a better hitter.

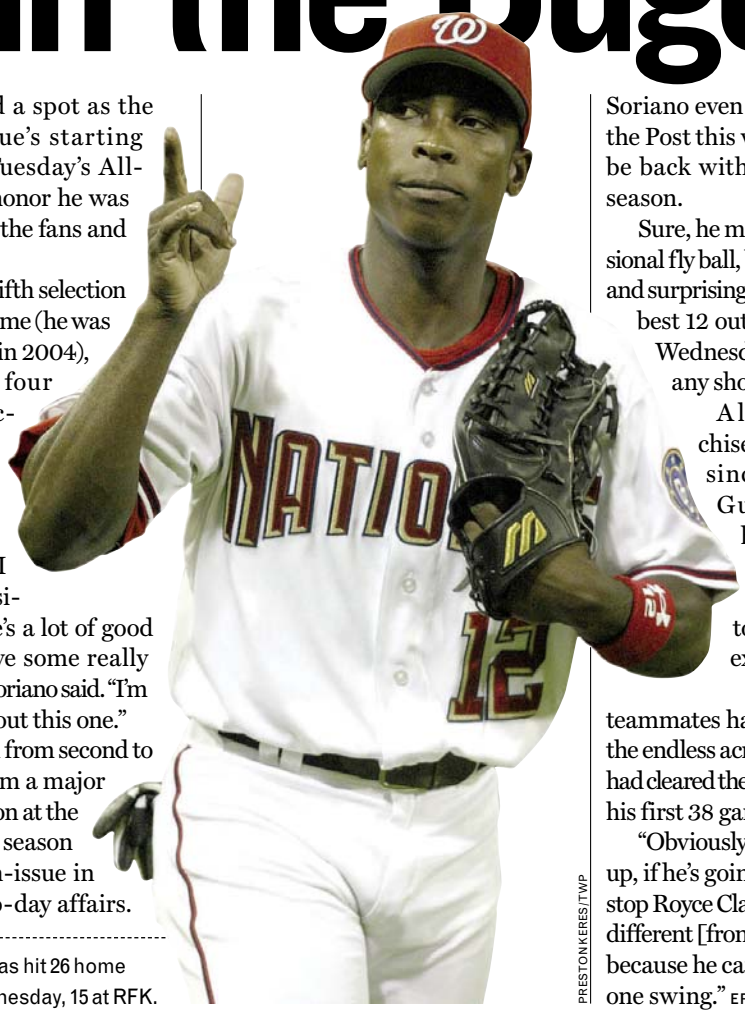
"Sometimes they don't want to see me on base [because of the stolen base factor], so they throw more to me," he said.

The bases on balls aren't actually an impressive standalone stat (Soriano had 32 walks through 85 games, one short of his total in each of the last two seasons and six away from his career high of 38). But his improving pitch selection led to a team-high 26 homers through Wednesday and a spot as the National League's starting left fielder in Tuesday's All-Star Game, an honor he was voted to by both the fans and players.

It's Soriano's fifth selection to the All-Star game (he was the game's MVP in 2004), with the other four coming as a second baseman in the American League.

"This one is bigger because I made it in a position where there's a lot of good players who have some really good numbers," Soriano said. "I'm really excited about this one."

His transition from second to left has gone from a major point of contention at the beginning of the season to a relative non-issue in the club's day-to-day affairs.



Alfonso Soriano has hit 26 home runs through Wednesday, 15 at RFK.

PRESTON KERES/TWP

Soriano even went as far as to tell the Post this week that he'd like to be back with the Nationals next season.

Sure, he may misjudge the occasional fly ball, but his excellent speed and surprising arm (he had a league-best 12 outfield assists entering Wednesday) have made up for any shortcomings.

Already the franchise's first 20-20 player since 2002 (Vladimir Guererro), Soriano heads into the All-Star break among the NL leaders in long balls, total bases, steals and extra base hits.

While several of his teammates have complained about the endless acreage at RFK, Soriano had cleared the fence 15 times through his first 38 games in D.C.

"Obviously at the top of our lineup, if he's going we're going," shortstop Royce Clayton said. "He's a little different [from most leadoff hitters] because he can put you up 1-0 with one swing." ERIC BRANDNER

Padres' Closer Changes Approach

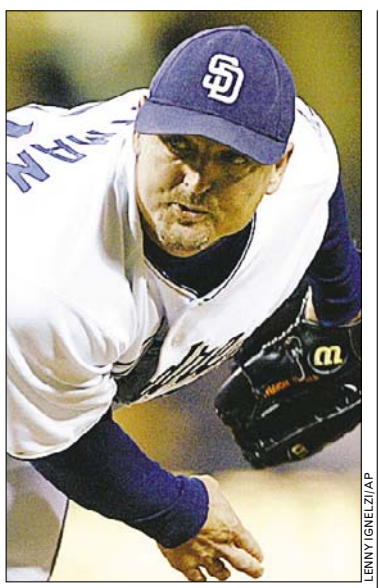
Hosting the Padres, the Nats won't face an overpowering Hoffman

NATIONALS | The best closer in the National League may also be the most hittable.

Fourteen years into his illustrious Major League career, Trevor Hoffman doesn't need to strike guys out to get the job done.

"He's not overpowering. He relies on his change-up," says Nationals closer Chad Cordero. "For a closer to rely on a pitch like that says something about how good he really is. He'll spot his fastball, but he gets most of his outs on his change-up."

The 38-year-old closer may have lost a few miles on his fastball, but he's stayed effective. Hoffman has converted nearly 93 percent of his save opportunities since having shoulder surgery on Oct. 16, 2003 – three days after his 35th birthday.



Padres' closer Trevor Hoffman relies mostly on his dominant changeup.

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With 457 saves through Wednesday (including 105 since his surgery), Hoffman is closing in on Lee Smith's Major League record of 478.

Despite those impressive numbers, Nationals hitters have a good history against Hoffman, going a combined 10 for 38 (.294). They could face him again this weekend when the Padres come to RFK Stadium for a three-game series.

"It's just a question of how long you can wait [on the change-up] and just be in a position not to get out in front of it," says Nationals shortstop Royce Clayton, who is 4 for 11 against Hoffman. "Early in his career, he had a 92-93 mph fastball. He doesn't throw quite as hard but his fastball still seems like it jumps up on you because of the change-up. "I'd rather face the guy throwing 97. He's more likely to make a mistake with it. Trevor knows he can't make mistakes."

The Nationals figure to have their hands full in Saturday night's contest, too, when 6-foot-10 Chris Young (7-4) takes the hill for San Diego.

Young has had sprinkled impressive starts throughout his first campaign with the Padres. He threw eight innings of one-hit ball against the Rockies back on May 30 and followed that up with an eight-inning, two-hit performance in Pittsburgh on June 4.

The National League's Pitcher of the Month in June, Young has allowed two runs or fewer in six of his last seven outings.

Woody Williams (3-1) — who hasn't surrendered more than three runs in a start this season — opens the series tonight against Washington's Ramon Ortiz (6-6). ERIC BRANDNER

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NATIONALS | BY MATT SWENSON

A Novel Idea: Keep Soriano

ALL SEASON LONG we've heard how the Washington Nationals have to trade Alfonso Soriano before they lose the All-Star in free agency.

Here's a new idea: Don't trade him and certainly don't let him sign elsewhere in the offseason.

Right now, Soriano and rookie sensation Ryan Zimmerman are the best things going for the Nationals.

And Wednesday night, Soriano told The Washington Post he doesn't want to leave D.C. "I want to stay" were his exact words.

The fact that he's going to be playing left field in Tuesday's All-Star Game seems to have given Soriano some comfort at the position.

Mind you, he's no Willie Mays. Then again, he's not Albert Belle out there, either.

He's no Willie Mays. Then again, he's not Albert Belle out there.

Plus, Soriano is a draw at the ticket counter. Don't underestimate that, either. Noticeably fewer fans are going to RFK Stadium this year. Putting out a team with a bunch of prospects surrounding Zimmerman isn't going to solve that problem.

Do you think the Lerners paid $450 million for a team no one will go see until the new stadium is finished?

Team president Stan Kasten's idea of building for the future is the right one. But there must be a way to field a competitive team in the process — and not trading away the team's best player is a start.

Keeping Soriano may cost the Nats a prospect or two now. Long term, though, it could lay the groundwork for a successful team — on and off the field.

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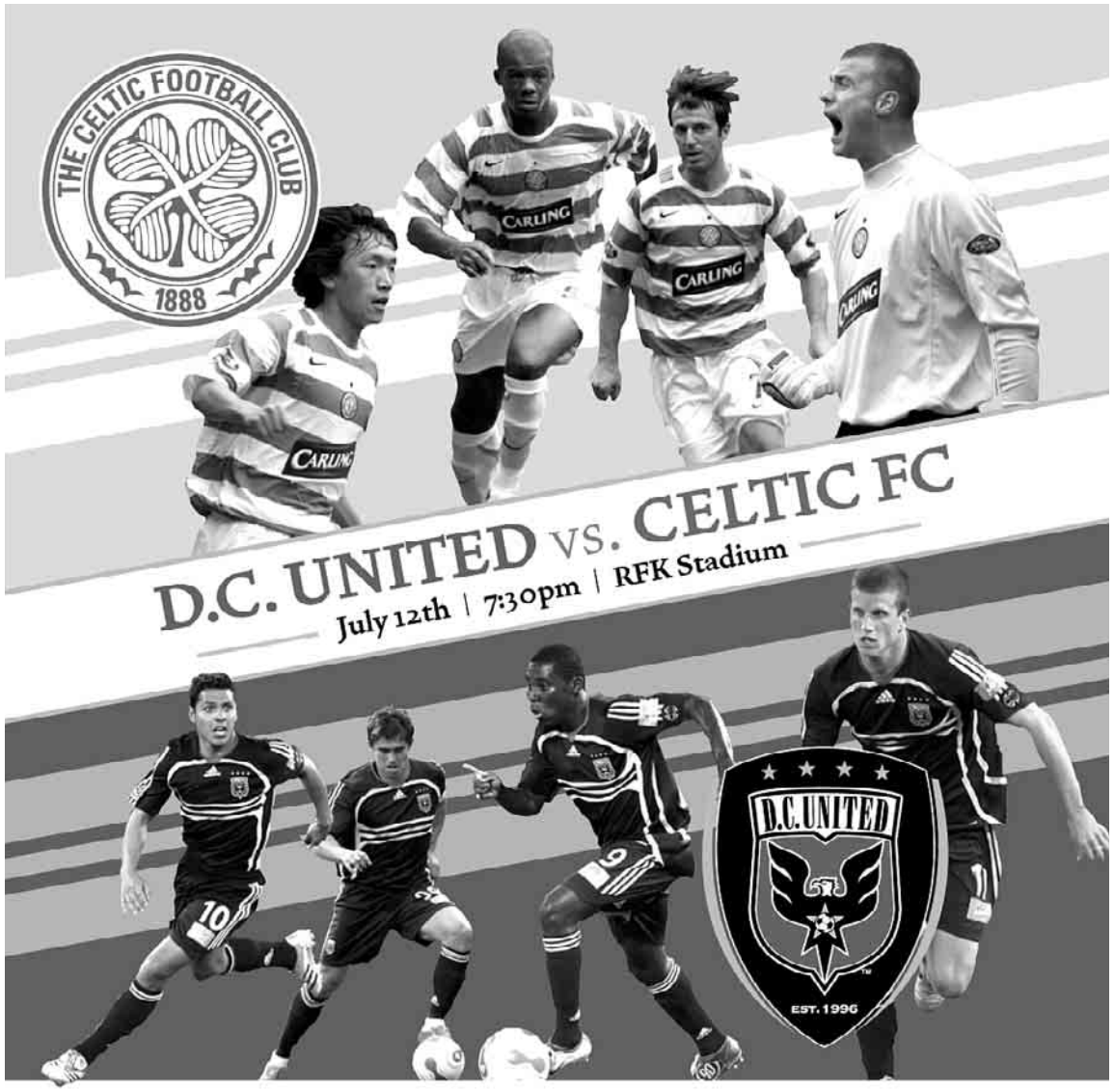

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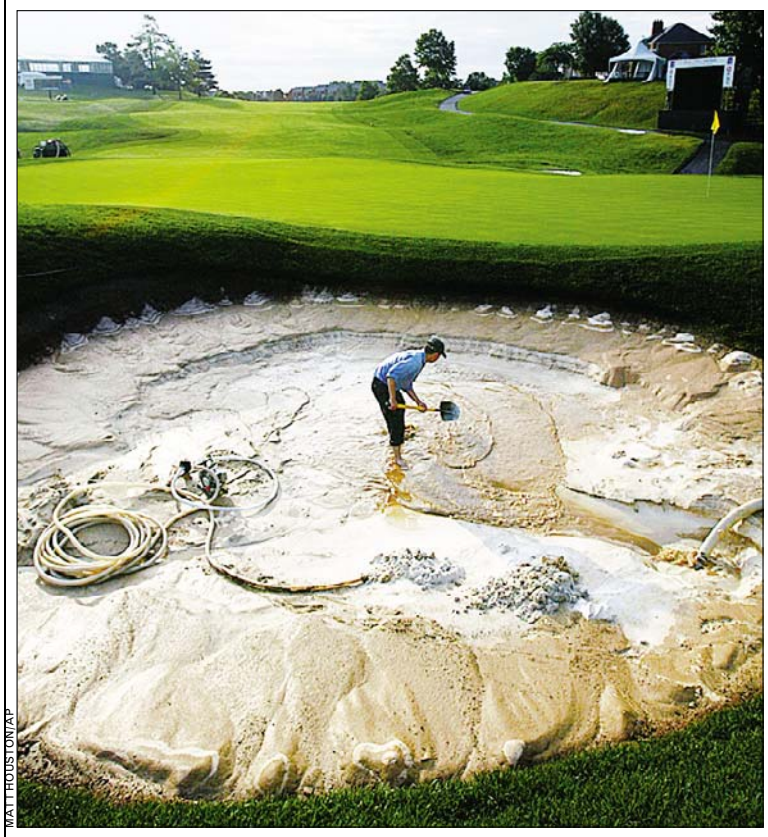

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A worker at TPC at Avenel shovels water from a bunker during the Booz Allen Classic. The course will undergo renovations, meaning no golf in D.C. this year.

Local Course Not Up to Par

PGA Tour to skip D.C. next year while Avenel undergoes renovation

GOLF | The PGA Tour said yesterday that the Washington area will not host a tournament in fall 2007 because it plans a significant renovation to the TPC at Avenel course that likely will not be completed until 2008.

A tour spokesman said today that Commissioner Tim Finchem "remains committed" to bringing PGA Tour golf back to the Washington area but that the Tour's first priority is to upgrade Avenel, the private Potomac club that has hosted the area's tour stop for 19 of the past 20 years.

Since its opening, the Avenel course has received decidedly mixed reviews from professional players, and it was regularly cited as a reason for the lackluster fields the event sometimes attracted.

After announcing in January that the Washington area was being dropped from its regular late spring spot on the 2007 schedule, the Tour had hoped to hold an event at Avenel in the fall instead.

Unhappy with the less prestigious spot on the schedule, Booz Allen, which has been the tournament's title sponsor the past three years, declined to renew its sponsorship contract after this year's event, which concluded June 27.

Kemper Sports Management, which ran Washington's tour event, had been seeking a new title sponsor for 2007, and that process apparently will continue.

The tour spokesman was hopeful of having an event back in Washington, possibly as soon as 2008.

"The tour remains committed to the Washington, D.C., market," Finchem said to the Associated Press. "And we look forward to returning in the future with top-level PGA Tour golf competition."

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Italy's Ongoing Drama

As usual, Italians are dealing with many distractions in final

WORLD CUP | They packed all the important stuff when they traveled to the World Cup: pasta, prosciutto and Parmesan.

Italy might be hungry for its first World Cup title in 24 years, but the Azzurri aren't lacking the comfort food they're familiar with. As they prepare to face France Sunday, they have everything they're used to — drama, delirium and distraction.

Last-minute goals, controversial calls and a scandal back home that has prosecutors asking for the nation's biggest clubs to get dumped into the minor leagues. It's just another day at the stadio.

Alessandro Del Piero, who scored the second goal in Tuesday's 2-0 win over Germany, has taken to comparing himself to mythic heroes. Asked why he didn't talk to reporters before the tournament, he gave a unique response.

"I went up on my hill to think like Achilles did before war," he said. "It's not important to me how many wars I fight, but how I fight them."

Francesco Totti, who converted the last-minute penalty kick that beat Australia in the second round, has a tattoo of a gladiator on a shoulder. Well, he has lived his entire life in Rome.

For the Azzurri, everything is divided between the ultimate highs and disastrous lows, with little in between. It's just the Italian penchant for melodrama.

In a hot room filled with more than three dozen television cameras and 100 reporters, Del Piero talked about what it meant to be in the final. "Magnifico" and "bellissimo," he kept repeating.

And after the semifinal win, coach Marcello Lippi told his players theatrically that their story remained unfinished, as if a composer had died before writing his final bars.

"Ora dobbiamo completare l'opera," he said, which sounds far more mundane in its English translation: "Now we have to complete the job." RONALD BLUM (AP)

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ROMAN EMPEROR: Francesco Totti battles for a ball against Germany. Totti, who's from Rome, has a tattoo of a gladiator.

United Running Away With Season Crown

D.C.'s record is by far tops in the league, and the team can still go up

UNITED | Statistically, D.C. United's dominance at the midpoint of the MLS campaign is staggering. At 11-1-5, United is on pace to post the best regular season record in league history.

They are in first place by nearly six games, are unbeaten in 11 straight and have a plus-18 goal differential; the next best mark is plus-6. The most worrisome aspect for the rest of the league? D.C. has yet to play its best soccer.

United has managed to score just one goal in six of its past seven games and has been outplayed on more than one occasion.

In Tuesday's 1-0 win at FC Dallas, the top team in the Western Conference, United took the lead on a perfectly-executed counterattack then held on for dear life, proving again that it has mastered the art of closing out a game even when it's not the best team on the field. D.C. travels to Columbus (4-6-6) Saturday.

"I think we didn't play our best game today but that's the sign of a good team. We played bad but were able to grind out a win," Freddy Adu told reporters in Dallas.

But the rewards for a strong regular season are relatively slim. One of the league's two berths in the CONCACAF Champions Cup, which has been a graveyard for MLS clubs in recent years, and home-field advantage in the abbreviated playoffs are the only perks. BRIAN STRAUS

TONY GUTIERREZ/AP

Jamie Moreno, top, gets by a defender and helps United to a 1-0 win at Dallas.

SO, WHO WILL DECIDE THE TEAMS' FATES IN THE CUP FINAL?

A quick look at some key players in Sunday's France vs. Italy World Cup final, with name, age and position:

FRANCE

FABIEN BARTHEZ, 35, goalkeeper: Barthez is an acrobatic, if unpredictable veteran. Played a French-record 16 matches at 1998, 2002 and 2006 World Cups, allowing only seven goals. Still his status as the French No. 1 for this tournament came late. He's short for a goalie at 6-foot but athleticism helps him compensate. Anything can happen with Barthez in goal.

Barthez

PATRICK VIEIRA, 30, midfielder: The veteran has shown his worth at this World Cup, answering critics who say Juventus acquired him on the downside of his career. He can break down opposition attacks and is also a threat at the other end. At 6-foot-4, he's quite a threat in the air.

THIERRY HENRY, 28, forward: Henry's a stylish forward who ranks among the world's best. He likes to operate on the wing, then attack the box. He can create space out of nothing and then have a go at goal, but his theatrics at tournament — tumbling to ground and clutching body parts — have been disappointing.

ZINEDINE ZIDANE, 34, midfielder: Making the most of his soccer swan song, Zidane has shown off his stepovers, vision and slick passing. Teammates seem inspired by their captain's final drive for the World Cup. He scored twice in the '98 final win over Brazil, surprisingly on headers. And, of course, he has a cool head at the penalty spot.

ITALY

GIANLUIGI BUFFON, 28, goalkeeper: The world's most expensive goalkeeper at $41.5 million, he has been worth every penny at the World Cup. Buffon has been beaten only once, on an own-goal, in six matches and is tied with Portugal's Ricardo for a tournament-leading 23 saves.

FABIO GROSSO, 28, defender: Occasionally vulnerable defensively, the big left-back has been an attacking force here. His run down the left won Italy the decisive penalty against Australia in the second round and he scored the winner with a curling shot against Germany.

FABIO CANNAVARO, 32, defender: Italy's captain has been a defensive rock, showing great vision in breaking up attacks. Great anticipation helps make up for lack of size at 5-foot-9. Coach Marcello Lippi calls him the best defender in the world.

ANDREA PIRLO, 27, midfielder: Hailed as one of the new breed of holding midfielder, Pirlo can win the ball and trigger attacks. He has a great passing eye and is a set-piece specialist.

FRANCESCO TOTTI, 29, forward: Totti's a talismanic player who can make goals and score them from his position linking midfield and attack. NEIL DAVIDSON (AP)

A Rematch Is Set

Henin-Hardenne to face Mauresmo again in Wimbledon final

TENNIS | Justine Henin-Hardenne is one victory from a career Grand Slam, and Maria Sharapova is gone from Wimbledon.

Henin-Hardenne defeated Kim Clijsters 6-4, 7-6 (4) Thursday to reach the final and close in on the one major title missing from her collection.

The third-seeded Henin-Hardenne will face No. 1 Amelie Mauresmo, who squandered a 3-1, love-40 lead against serve in the second set before putting away Sharapova 6-3, 3-6, 6-2.

Saturday's championship will be a rematch of this year's Australian Open final in which Henin-Hardenne quit because of stomach pain while trailing 6-1, 2-0, handing the Frenchwoman her first Grand Slam title.

French Open champion Rafael Nadal advanced to the men's semifinals by beating Finland's Jarkko Nieminen 6-3, 6-4, 6-4. Their quarterfinal was postponed.

Mauresmo has lost five of nine career matches against Henin-Hardenne.

"I'm expecting a tough one," she said. "She's playing some great tennis, very aggressive. She's a tough player. I finally get the chance to play for the trophy."

Henin-Hardenne reached the Wimbledon final in 2001, losing to Venus Williams. Since then, she has won three French Opens and one U.S. Open and Australian Open. By taking Wimbledon, she would become only the 10th woman to win all four Grand Slams. (AP)

FIONA HANSON/AP

Top-seeded Amelie Mauresmo celebrates her 6-3, 3-6, 6-2 win over No. 4 Maria Sharapova. Mauresmo will face Justine Henin-Hardenne in Saturday's final.

Spaniard Sprints To Stage Victory

Freire wins the day but world champ Boonen keeps the yellow jersey

CYCLING | Three-time former world champion Oscar Freire of Spain won the fifth stage of the Tour de France on Thursday, holding off overall leader Tom Boonen of Belgium in the finishing sprint.

Boonen earned bonus time to build his lead. The current world champion will wear the yellow jersey for a third straight day during Friday's sixth stage.

Bonus time for the win also vaulted Freire from 20th to third overall. World time-trial champion Michael Rogers of Australia is still second overall, 13 seconds behind Boonen, with Freire another four seconds back. George Hincapie of the United States slipped from third to fourth, also 17 seconds behind Boonen.

All 172 remaining riders started the mostly flat, 140-mile trek from Beauvais, north of Paris. There were several crashes along the route, but all riders finished. After several hot days of racing, the weather cooled, with rain on the route.

Freire, of the Rabobank squad, accelerated sharply in the last 300 yards, sprinting up the right side of the finishing straightaway to take the stage victory, his second in three Tours.

"It wasn't the way that I'm used to sprinting," he said. "I usually stay in other riders' wheels and wait until the last second," he said. But this time "what I needed to do was to take the initiative."

Although he has the yellow jersey, Boonen has not displayed the explosive form he showed during the past two Tours, when he won four stages.

Inaki Isasi of the Basque team Euskaltel placed third in the sprint finish at the Normandy town of Caen. Australian sprinter Robbie McEwen, winner of two stages this Tour and 10 overall, was fifth. (AP)

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Avast Mistake

This 'Pirates' sequel has plenty of plot, but the fun is lost at sea

FILM | Yo ho, yo ho ... yeah, that's about all you get. It is physically impossible to think of any puns after sitting through "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest" and having all traces of energy and enthusiasm sucked out.

And those moments are the funniest, liveliest parts. The rest is just bloated — and, like its predecessor, numbingly overlong. Johnny Depp, Orlando Bloom and Keira Knightley are all back, as is director Gore Verbinski.

The thrilling unpredictability of watching Depp do his kinda-gay, kinda-drunk Keith Richards shtick as Captain Jack Sparrow, which earned him an Oscar nomination, is completely gone. The swagger is still there, but he has no memorable zingers to say.

The bigger problem is that we know the performance is coming. And like everything else about this film, we've seen it before.

"Dead Man's Chest" begins with Bloom's earnest Will Turner and Knightley's saucy Elizabeth Swann on the verge of marrying, only to be yanked from their planned nuptials and arrested for their association with Captain Jack.

Seems that Jack is in trouble, this time for a blood debt he owes the fearsome ocean ruler Davy Jones (Bill Nighy, whose face is covered by some sort of octupus-looking monstrosity). But if Jack can locate Jones' hidden chest, he can control him and avoid being his eternal slave.

Will and Elizabeth re-team with Jack and help him look for the chest. Their adventures among the natives on a remote island can be visually impressive, but they also call to mind an extended episode of "Survivor."

Also crammed into the mix are a voodoo sorceress (Naomie Harris) and Will's long-lost father, Bootstrap Bill (Stellan Skarsgard, covered in barnacles and looking depressed). The entire endeavor just feels overstuffed, as if more somehow equals better.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

DISNEY ENTERPRISES

A PIRATE'S LIFE FOR THEM: Keira Knightley demands her Gwyneth-style Oscar for dressing up as a boy in "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest."

'Strangers' Worth Getting to Know

A filmic flashback for Amy Sedaris' most bizarre character

FILM | "Strangers With Candy" is as joyfully twisted as the title would suggest.

A prequel to the Comedy Central TV series that was canceled in 2000 after three seasons, the film finds Amy Sedaris reprising her starring role as Jerri Blank, the fortysomething ex-con, ex-junkie, bisexual prostitute.

Fresh out of prison, Jerri returns to her childhood home and finds her father (Dan Hedaya) in a coma, so she goes back to high school to "become the good girl I never was and never had any desire to be," in hopes that it will revive him.

Of course, Jerri didn't fit in back when she was a freshman 32 years ago, and she's even more of a misfit freak now. With her severe overbite, garish makeup and perpetually furrowed brow, she doesn't exactly click with the popular clique.

Her classmates don't seem to notice her age, only that she looks different from them — she could be a teenage nerd girl, it wouldn't matter — and they have zero interest gleaning from her the pearls of wisdom she offers after a lifetime of hard living. Neither do her teachers, including Stephen Colbert as the science instructor who uses the Bible as a textbook, and Paul Dinello as the fun-loving art teacher with whom Colbert's character is having a secret affair.

What's great about the humor is that it's gleefully weird and politically incorrect, but everyone involved plays it with the self-righteous seriousness of an after-school special.

And despite the wattage of the celebrities who appear in cameos — including Sarah Jessica Parker, Matthew Broderick, Philip Seymour Hoffman and Allison Janney — "Strangers With Candy" squeaks into theaters exuding a certain low-budget je ne sais quois.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

THINKFILM

MYSTERY MEAT: Jerri goes back to school to endure indignities like cafeteria food.

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RICKY CARIOTI/TWP

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Where are the Italians and fans gathering in D.C. for the World Cup final?

The nice folks at the Italian Cultural Institute (or the Istituto Italiano di Cultura), the Embassy's official cultural arm, recommended heading over to Sette in Dupont Circle, where the game will be on a big screen.

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Nightlife Agenda

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

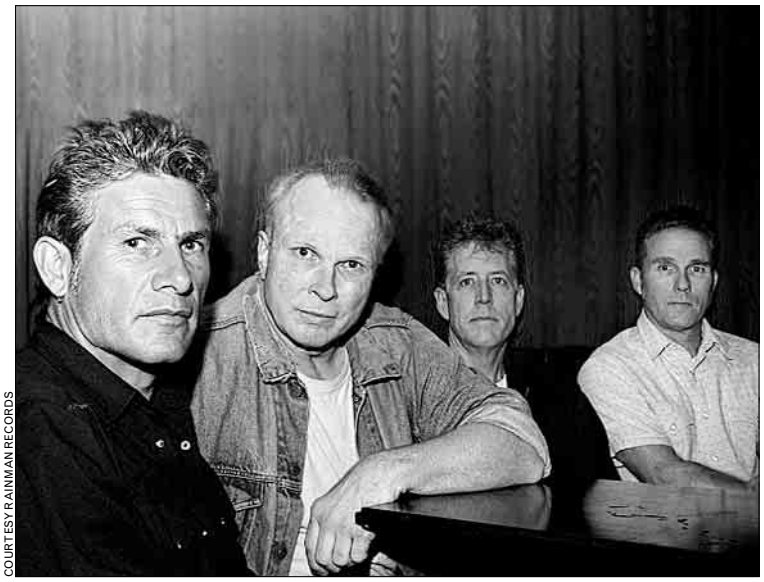
FRIDAY

The first Friday of the month means another installment of We Fought the Big One, the DJ night that specializes in playing obscure '80s and '90s indie rock, shoegazer jams and forgotten post-punk classics. And speaking of shoegazers, tonight's event at the **MARX CAFE** is the official release party for the new album by local band Alcian Blue, whose influences range from the noise-guitar onslaught of My Bloody Valentine to the lush atmospheric pop of the Cocteau Twins. Alcian Blue singer Jake Reid is taking a turn or two in the DJ booth, and we'd put a wager on a few tunes from the Creation and 4AD labels making his playlist. The first record drops at 10, and there's no cover charge.

We're still buzzing from the news that P.M. Dawn will be at **IOTA**. Not only did the group get masticated by the pop music marketplace that mulches one-hit wonders, but lead vocalist Prince Be has the added ignominy of being forever known as the big dude that KRS-One tossed off a stage for perceived disrespect. Most of their peers would have slipped into obscurity, but P.M. Dawn kept recording and maintained a core of serious fans, even if there aren't as many as there were in those heady days of the early '90s. Some of P.M.'s recent material is pretty good, so let's hope that this gig isn't an attempt to cash in on nostalgia.

SATURDAY

In the last week, Matthew Perpetua has posted MP3s by Gang Starr, Unrest, the Fiery Furnaces and German art-rockers Can on Fluxblog, his incredibly popular MP3 blog. He's also written about the female Brazilian electro band Cansei Ser Sexy and Swedish indie rockers Envelope for his Hit Refresh column on the Associated Press' ASAP site. That's why we're curious to see what, exactly, Perpetua will play as the special guest DJ at Bluestate tonight. Bluestate started as a collaboration of four local bloggers who write about music and post audio samples, so this is a natural fit. Bluestate is free and starts at 10 p.m. at the **BLACK CAT**.



COURTESY RAINMAN RECORDS

DO YOU LIKE AMERICAN MUSIC? Rockabilly masters the Blasters (now minus Dave Alvin) shared the bill with acts like X, Black Flag and Queen in their heyday.

Expect this week's swing dance at **GLEN ECHO'S SPANISH BALLROOM** to be a little more rocking than usual. In lieu of the usual hot jazz and lindy-hop acts that have people dancing the night away, roots rock royalty the Blasters provide the tunes. There will still be ample opportunities to dance, because the quartet's rollicking rockabilly has plenty of grooves. Even without founding member Dave Alvin (who will coincidentally be at the Birchmere on Friday), the Blasters, led by Dave's brother Phil, deliver the best of Americana. As usual, a dance lesson precedes the concert for those who need a little brushing up on their steps.

Listen up, Cancers and Leos. If your birthday is in July, **MCFADDEN'S** is buying your drinks tonight from 8 to 11 p.m. All you have to do is call the bar to get your name on the list (202-223-2338) and show a valid ID when you arrive. In a sparkling show of generosity, those of us born from August to June can join in the drunken mayhem— er, fun — for $20.

We don't pretend to understand why Flip Cup and Beer Pong have replaced Golden Tee as the bar games of choice, but then again, none of us have played since college. (Yeah, we don't know what we're missing, etc.) Anyway, if you'd like to show that you are the Golden God of Red Plastic Cups, **THE BARKING DOG** is hosting its second Beer Olympics in Bethesda. $15 covers entry into the tournament and unlimited drinks from 1:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. Bring five friends and make an afternoon of it. E-mail mdbethesdanews@comcast.net to reserve a spot.

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FAR OUT: Bluestaters arguably have more fun, but red-staters are going to heaven.

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Blood Ties That Bind

Two men find that crime and politics mix all too well

FAMILY TV | In the first scene of Showtime's new dramatic series "Brotherhood," a brutal killing takes place at a Providence, R.I., construction site.

The victim is a local crime boss, and this rival's murder is happy news for mobster Michael Caffee. In the very next scene, Michael arrives home after seven years' exile to start making up for lost time with his own criminal pursuits.

This, in turn, is shocking news for Michael's younger brother, Tommy. He's a state representative and family man whose life is predicated on doing the right thing and projecting the right image. A brother like Michael, back as if from the dead, isn't part of his plan.

"C'mon, Tommy, everything's gonna be OK," Michael tries to reassure him. "Trust me. I'm not who I used to be."

It should come as no surprise that Michael and Tommy will have trouble coexisting in this cozy metropolis, not to mention within their tight Irish-Catholic family under the nose of their commanding mother, whose dinner table they now will be sharing every Sunday.

And yet, "Brotherhood" is loaded with surprises. Like how good it is.

Weekly airings begin Sunday at 10 p.m. with "Mark 8:36" (that is, "For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" — each episode's title is a Bible verse). And as the series unfolds, you can be certain you won't be disappointed.

MIKKI ANSIN

DUDE, I AM SO NOT HIS KEEPER: If "Brotherhood" titles a program "Genesis 4," viewers schooled in scripture will steel themselves for Cain and Abel-style rivalry.

"Brotherhood" is a rich exploration of loyalty embattled by cross-purposes.

Tommy (Jason Clarke) is a public servant who, despite aspirations for higher office, is devoted to "The Hill," his working-class-Irish district where he knows every constituent by name. Street-smart, hard-nosed yet idealistic, he's a politician who wants to be his own man.

Meanwhile, Michael (Jason Isaacs) is a chillingly magnetic thug known as "Three-Part Mike" (judge, jury, executioner). But within the limits of his psychopathic drive, he demonstrates allegiance to his brother.

A nice outcome for "Brotherhood" would be a state of equilibrium somehow restored — room enough and power enough for all. But don't bet on it. What happens instead is a fascinating drama that immerses you in a world of steadfast alliances (including brotherly love) that, all too often, clash. Sooner or later, something has to give.

FRAZIER MOORE (AP)

The Art of Being Monk

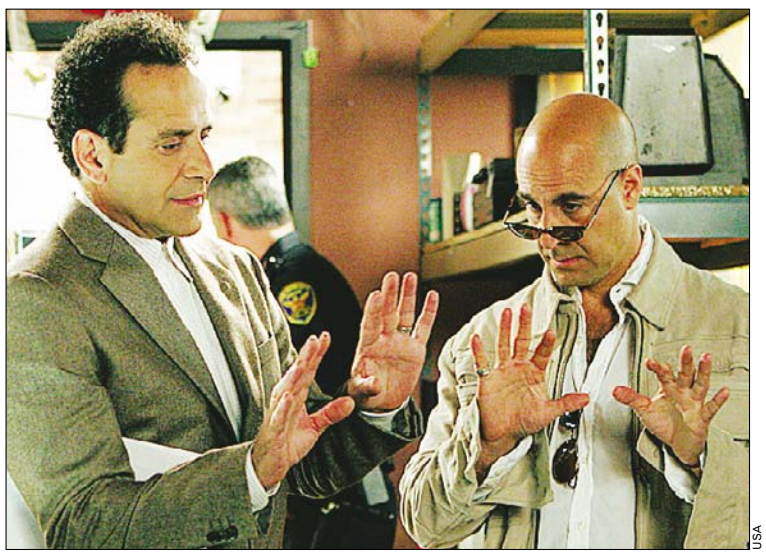
Smart police comedy 'Monk' starts season near a breakthrough

DOPPELGANGER | Now in its fifth season, the offbeat police comedy "Monk" (9 p.m., USA) has been part of a smart-cable revolution.

"Monk" opens its fifth season with a great episode and a wonderful cameo appearance. As the episode begins, Adrian Monk (Emmy-winner Tony Shalhoub) appears to be on the verge of a psychological and personal breakthrough. He's about to go on vacation alone — his first solo trip since the murder of his beloved wife.

Feeling frisky, he's happy to hear that Hollywood is making a movie about a recent case solved by himself and the San Francisco police.

Unfortunately for Monk, the actor (Stanley Tucci) playing him is a stickler for method and motivation and wants to get inside his subject's head. It's a joy to see Tucci "become" Monk. The two actors are natural together, having appeared in the wonderful, bittersweet drama "Big Night" in 1996, where they both play co-owners and chefs in a failing Jersey Shore restaurant.



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SINCEREST FLATTERY? Upon arriving in L.A., Yale grad Tony Shalhoub's first audition earned him a role in "Wings." Now he's the executive producer of "Monk."

The episode also makes some comedic points about the psychological dynamics of acting. Some of the insights that Monk experiences while coaching his alter ego seem to transcend any progress he's made with his therapist. But whether this experience is positive or destructive — for either man — remains to be seen. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Depp in Another Fancy Wig

DVD | Until "The Pirates of the Caribbean: Curse of the Black Pearl" three years ago, Johnny Depp was never considered a family-friendly actor. The majority of his films, including "Donnie Brasco," "Ed Wood" and "From Hell," certainly were aimed at adult audiences. But since playing the eccentrically comic Capt. Jack Sparrow, Depp has enjoyed a larger and younger fan base, following up with "Finding Neverland," "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" and the second installment of "Pirates," which opens today.

Depp was finally seen in adult fare again with "The Libertine" (Weinstein, $29), which was shot in early 2004 but not released until last November for Oscar nomination consideration. It opened wider across the country this spring, but failed to catch on with critics and audiences.

WEINSTEIN COMPANY

"The Libertine" received a limited release, bad reviews and an early death.

A dark, somber, dank period piece — it may also be one of the muddiest films on record — "The Libertine" finds Depp playing the unsavory, debauched John Wilmot, the second Earl of Rochester, who flourished briefly in the decadent London of the 17th century. John Malkovich and Samantha Morton costar.

The DVD includes deleted scenes, a making-of documentary and crisp commentary with first-time feature director Laurence Dunmore.

SUSAN KING (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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AKEELAH AND THE BEE (PG, 112 minutes) When Akeelah Anderson (Keke Palmer) turns in another perfect spelling test, her principal suggests she enter the district spelling bee. Observing all this is Joshua Larabee (Laurence Fishburne), who cuts a mythic figure as the Teacher Who Changed Everything. This funny, affecting tale pays homage not just to one young person's determination and character but to all those parents, teachers and guardian angels who instill in young people the love of language and the love of learning. (AH)

THE BREAK-UP (PG-13, 105 minutes) Vince Vaughn plays Gary, whose idea of a good time is shooting pool, watching the Cubs or firing up a video game while his girlfriend, Brooke (Jennifer Aniston), kvetches in the background. She's a humor-impaired gallery dealer with a sharp eye for Gary's domestic shortcomings. She may be right, but he's funny. And in comedy, serious loses and funny wins. Nobody likes a fixed fight, except the backroom boys making the deal, which is why this comedy may have its share of laughs but isn't much fun. (DT)

CARS (G, 116 minutes) This animated fable is the story of a fellow with what might be called auto-erratic tendencies. He pays too much attention to himself and must have his frame straightened, his lube changed. Okay, so? He's a car. Our hero, Lightning McQueen (Owen Wilson), is a sleek, red sportster on the racing circuit. He thinks quite highly of himself, particularly when he ties for the Piston Cup. A runoff is set in California a week hence, even if Lightning's crew has abandoned him because of his selfish ways. Off he sets, in the belly of his one remaining friend, a big rig geared for auto transport. This is the latest concoction from the geniuses at Pixar, and it's great fun, if well under the level of the first "Toy Story." (SH)

CLICK (PG-13, 98 minutes) Adam Sandler, impersonating workaholic architect Michael Newman, acquires the ultimate in universal remotes — that is, a remote that controls the universe. With the click of a button, he is able to fast forward through the boring or unpleasant parts of his life, pause to extract a petty revenge on oppressors, turn down the volume on arguments with his wife. It's a crass physical comedy of unrelenting irrelevance with a gag or two amid the many other examples of bad taste. But what's wrong with this movie isn't the movie, it's Sandler himself, his sensibility, his sense of humor, which is aggressively hostile. Halfway through the overlong film I was the one wishing for a remote. I'd have at that off button so fast it'd make your nose bleed. (SH)

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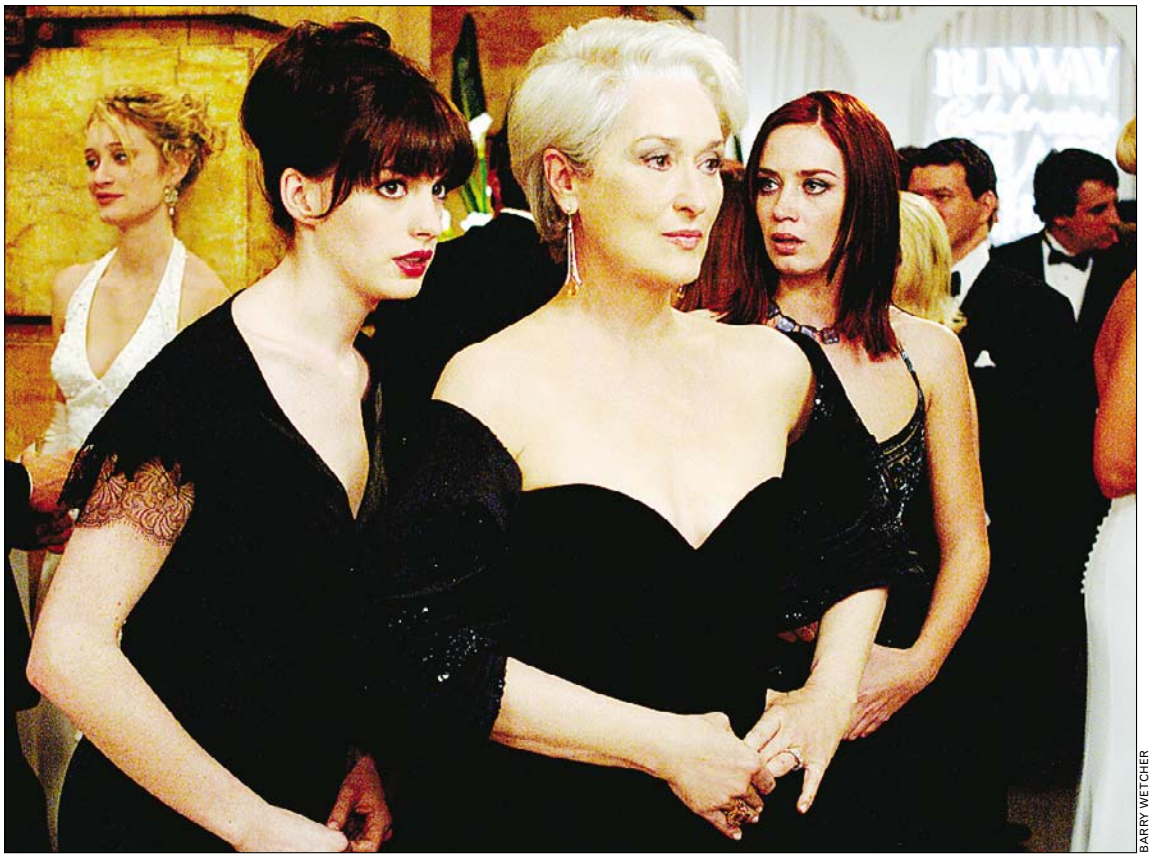

BARRY WETCHER

LOOKING GOOD: Fortunately for the audience, the film version of "The Devil Wears Prada" snipped and trimmed the story, adding shape and vivacity to a dull (but best-selling) book. Anne Hathaway and Meryl Streep help give the stylish satire bite.

Now Playing

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG-13, 148 minutes) The most controversial thriller of the year turns out to be about as exciting as watching your parents play Sudoku. Ron Howard's adaptation of the Dan Brown novel plays it so safe that it actually may be proven to lower pulses. From a dispassionate Tom Hanks as symbologist Robert Langdon to a script carefully written to mollify Christians already upset by the film's premise of a Jesus and Mary Magdalene hook-up, this film is a bland piece of high-grade cheese. Still, the readers who gulped down Brown's thriller — in which a murder leads to revelations about a conspiracy in the Catholic church — will enjoy seeing his talky scavenger hunt reenacted. (AH)

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13, 109 minutes) Meryl Streep plays Miranda Priestly, the driven, demanding editor-in-chief of "Runway," the bible of New York fashion magazines. Unable to keep a decent assistant, Miranda's latest hire is Andy Sachs (Anne Hathaway), the smart girl who eschews fashion (at first) and arrives at her job at "Runway" head-to-toe out of place. She wants to be a serious writer. She is horrified by Miranda's demands, even though they are legendary to anyone who knows anything about the industry. Can Andy survive a year of Miranda and, in return, win a recommendation that will get her in the door at any magazine in Manhattan? That, in essence, is the plot of the film. Streep makes it work. Streep makes it fun. She has done strong comedic turns in the past, and this performance is a reminder of that, and then some. (JENNIFER FREY)

GARFIELD: A TAIL OF TWO KITTIES (PG, 88 minutes) Despite the Dickensian title, this movie draws its inspiration (maybe too grand a word) from Mark Twain's "The Prince and the Pauper," about a high-born and a low-born of identical appearance who involuntarily switch places in the capital city of the British empire. But these transferees are fat orange tabbies. The movie is intermittently amusing, particularly when the American human part of the cast (Breckin Meyer and Jennifer Love Hewitt) are off-screen. (SH)

THE HEART OF THE GAME (PG-13, 98 minutes) This documentary about a first-time basketball coach who takes a girls' high-school team from obscurity to the state finals combines non-stop action with an absorbing story to become a classic on par with "Hoosiers" and "Hoop Dreams." Seattle's Roosevelt High School coach, Bill Resler, a college professor, moonlights out of love for the game and belief in women's sports. There are the David-and-Goliath victories, the squabbles, the sweat, the tears, the joy. And then there's Darnellia Russell, who possesses the intuitive physical genius of a great player; when her story takes a twist, the film acquires an unexpected depth and urgency. (AH)

ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG, 89 minutes) In this sequel, the happy creatures of the 2002 hit realize that the snow's getting softer, the days longer, the sun hotter. They begin a migration to find a kind of ark substitute that will let them ride out the ensuing flood. The animation is first-rate, but the story needs to catch up to the magic. (SH)

AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG, 100 minutes) This documentary by Davis Guggenheim follows Al Gore on his world tour, in which he warns audiences that humankind faces dire climatic consequences if it doesn't curb carbon dioxide emissions. We know what you're thinking, but as this surprisingly absorbing film shows, Gore's lectures are anything but dull. Although his onstage presentation tells us nothing new, it has a renewed potency, in light of growing scientific consensus about changing weather patterns. There will be those speculators who see the stirrings of a presidential run. But for viewers of any stripe, there's something perhaps even more fascinating: a quintessentially American story of reinvention. (DT)

KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS (PG-13, 90 minutes) This movie chronicles a manhood crisis in the life of Hollywood agent Adam Fiedler (Jeremy Piven),

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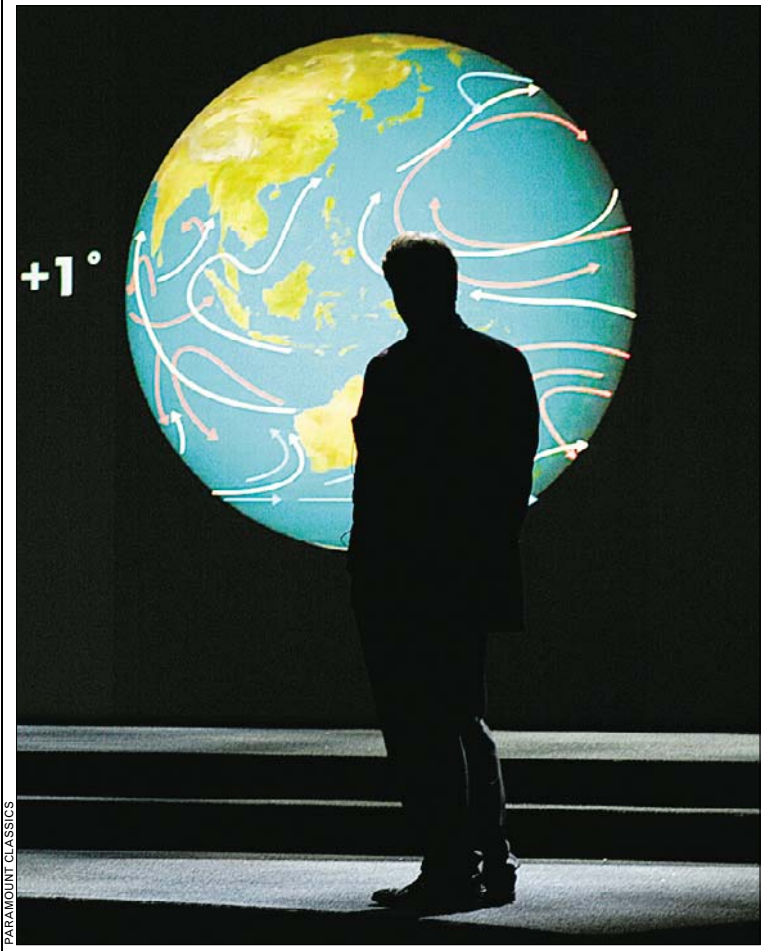

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IS IT GETTING WARMER IN HERE? Al Gore makes a scarily convincing case for the tremendously damaging march of global warming in "An Inconvenient Truth."

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who decides that his son, Ben (Daryl Sabara), must have a bigger bar mitzvah party than the son of a workplace competitor (who held the festivities on an ocean liner). In his state of competitive madness, it doesn't matter to the otherwise affable Adam what Ben wants; his son's party is all about him. The characters never become more than stereotype, and Piven's Adam is a big disappointment. (SH)

THE KING (R, 105 minutes) Elvis (Gael García Bernal) uses his last paycheck to buy a 1969 Mercury Cougar and points his sedan in the direction of Corpus Christi, Texas, where he has urgent business with his biological father, David Sandow (William Hurt), a pastor who leads genial fire-and-brimstone services. Elvis is immediately captivated by Malerie (Pell James), David's teenage daughter, and is set on a collision course with the whole family. Director and co-writer James Marsh displays such contempt for the characters and religious conviction in general, he reduces everything to banality. (DT)

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG, 120 minutes) Keanu Reeves and Sandra Bullock fall in love by letters that pass not through the U.S. Postal Service, but the fabric of reality itself. The magical mailbox is in front of a house on the edge of a lake. The problem is that Reeves's Alex Wyler is in '04 and Bullock's Kate Forster is in '06. The movie itself doesn't take time travel very seriously, or it doesn't take science fiction very seriously. The characters are more interesting than the story, so why not just let it play out in real time? It's sugary sweet and based on a premise that's ridiculous. (SH)

THE LOST CITY (R, 143 minutes) Actual memories are at the heart of Andy Garcia's tribute to pre-revolutionary Havana, an elegy on what was lost, a little payback for a regime that drove his family out and, best of all, a synthesis of the driving Afro-Cuban rhythms of the extraordinary music. (SH)

MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE III (PG-13, 126 minutes) The problem with the first two "M:I" movies was that they should have been called "Mission: Highly Probable." Too often the action came down to Tom Cruise's character, Ethan Hunt, troubleshooting a computer system or dangling from a guy wire. The wires are still there in this sequel, but Cruise is at his scowling/smiling best as he jumps, shoots and leaves. Best is Philip Seymour

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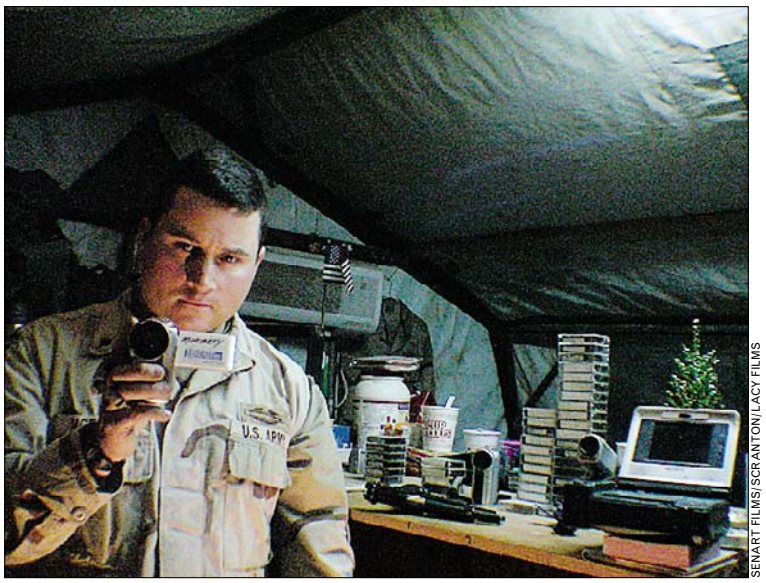

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Hoffman as the baddie. (AH)

NACHO LIBRE (PG, 90 minutes) Jack Black, hiding behind a large, bad Mexican accent and a perm from hell, plays Ignacio, nicknamed Nacho, a monk in an orphanage whose job consists of fixing beans for the kids. Beans? Bean jokes? Okay, beans are funny — if you're 12. Nacho secretly signs up for a wrestling match to raise money to buy lettuce for salads to relieve the monotony of the beans and perhaps give us sanctuary from the bean jokes. The movie then follows the secret career of Nacho Libre the wrestler, juxtaposing it with the banality of the monk Ignacio, who is the butt of all that witty monastery repartee. Is it funny? Now and then. Stupid? Very. Racist? Possibly. Ugly? Profoundly. Wild? Undeniably. Singular? Completely. (AH)

THE OMEN (R, 110 minutes) The plot of this remake is simple. When the just-born son of an American diplomat dies, the father (Liev Schreiber) knows it will break his wife's (Julia Stiles) heart. A priest points out that an unwed mother has just died giving birth; could we not switch the newborns? The son, Damien, grows into a beautiful boy (Seamus Davey-Fitzpatrick) but one with an odd sense of aloofness. Deaths begin happening around him, each calculated to advance his position. The movie is handsome in the way it's fast-moving: sleek, well-engineered. (SH)

OVER THE HEDGE (PG, 87 minutes) The woodland creatures' habitat is losing ground to development. They've got no choice but to slip through the big hedge that rings the human world and make for the trash cans. Welcome to an amusing war between cute critters and crass consumers. On the good side, we have a scheming raccoon named RJ (voiced by Bruce Willis) and his pals. And in the villains' corner, we have Gladys (Allison Janney), a homemaker with the soul of Cruella De Vil who dispatches an exterminator to take care of the furry invaders. Jokes are packed into every pixel of this movie, but there's such a knowing swagger about its comedy, there seems to be no innocence in the mix at all. (DT)

A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG-13, 105 minutes) There's no mention of Lake Wobegon in this Robert Altman film. Instead, Altman and Garrison Keillor concoct a sort of parallel universe in which a radio show faces its final broadcast. The film is a loopy backstage drama, with Meryl Streep, Lily Tomlin and Lindsay Lohan playing new characters and Keillor officiating the proceedings. It seems a corporation has bought the station and intends to turn it into a parking lot. But until that moment, Keillor is determined to let the show go on. There are snatches of fun throughout the film, but as it tries to embrace the spirit of the radio series, it suffocates the qualities that make the original show so special. (DT)

THE PROPOSITION (R, 104 minutes) Australian director John Hillcoat makes an audacious, unsettling American feature debut with this revisionist western. Ray Winstone delivers an unforgettable performance as British Captain Stanley, who in the 1880s has come from England with his milky-pure wife (Emily Watson) to tame the outback. When Stanley rounds up Charlie Burns (Guy Pearce) and his feeble-minded little brother, he immediately accuses them of a recent rape and murder, setting Charlie on a quest to spare Mikey the noose. What ensues

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is a series of gory murders and perverse retributions; the film is an ugly reminder that nation-building is an enterprise drenched in blood and brutality. (AH)

THE ROAD TO GUANTANAMO (R, 95 minutes) This is a straight-down-the-middle account of three British citizens of Pakistani heritage who end up logging time in the compound at Camp Delta. In this docudrama re-creation, Shafiq (Riz Ahmed), Ruhel (Farhad Harun) and Monir (Waqar Siddiqui) appear to be without serious harm in mind, as far from jihad as could be imagined. They head to Pakistan, however, with very bad timing, immediately after Sept. 11, 2001. The film is certainly fair, clinging tightly to the accounts of the three actual young men to whom these events happened. The key question it raises: Is what happened to the Tipton Three an outrage? (ST)

RUSSIAN DOLLS (Unrated, 129 minutes) Cedric Klapisch's fluffily enjoyable sequel to "L'Auberge Espagnole" follows Xavier (Romain Duris), now 30 and back in Paris. Still a sweet, almost nerdy, presence, Xavier plays chez la femme, but now his questions have evolved existentially into: Is there a Madame Right in his future or is he doomed to a continuing existence of part-time lovers? (DT)

RV (PG, 98 minutes) Robin Williams is Bob Munro, who has canceled his Hawaii vacation so he can complete a presentation for his boss. He decides to take the family to the Rockies, figuring he can get the work done and still give have a bonding holiday. Will Bob get that presentation done? Will the family bond? And which one of these levers do you push to send the RV careening off the mountain? (DT)

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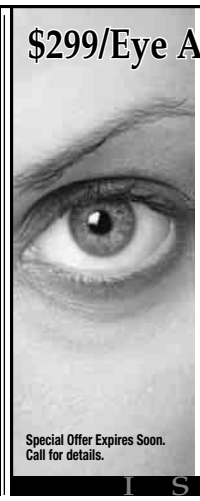

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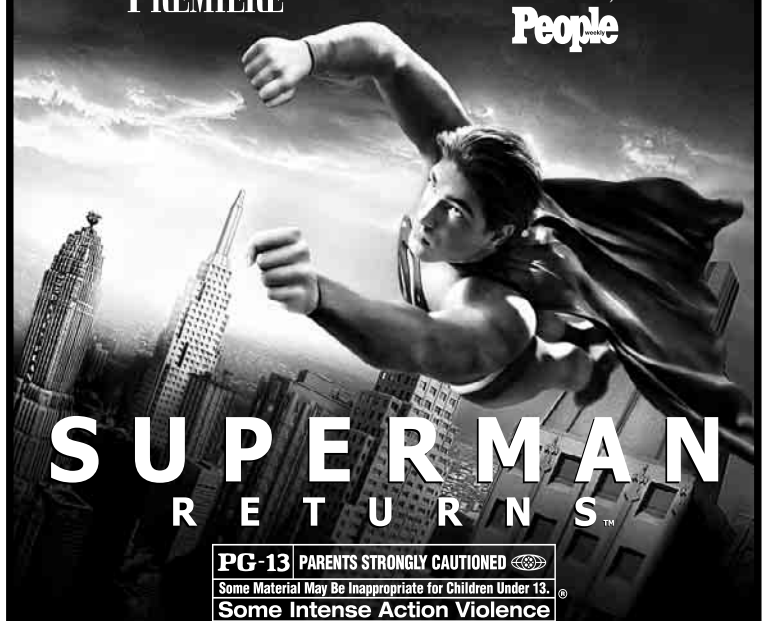

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THE BREAK-UP (PG-13) DIG (1040 120) 720
AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) DIG 1035
OVER THE HEDGE (PG) DIG (1010 1230 250 510)
THE DA VINCI CODE (PG-13) DIG (400) 1010

BOWIE STADIUM 14
15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#

Adv. Tix on Sale YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1145 1215 1245 115 145 300 345 400 430 510) 700 715 745 800 830 1020 1045 1115 1130 1200
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (100 410) 730 1025
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (1145 1215 1250 315 345 415) 715 745 1035 1115
WAIST DEEP (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (200 455) 755 1040
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (110 355) 640 925 1215
FAST & THE FURIOUS 3 (PG-13) DIG 720 1000 1240
GARFIELD: A TALE OF TWO KITTIES (PG) DIG (1205 220 440)
THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) DIG 700 1015
NACHO LIBRE (PG) DIG (135 420)
CARS (G) DIG (1210 415) 705 1010
X-MEN 3 (PG-13) DIG 710 955 1230

BETHESDA 10
7272 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 569#

Adv. Tix on Sale YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1145 1215 1245 130 315 345 415 500) 645 715 745 830 1015 1045
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1200 1230 305 335) 700 730 935 1005
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1235 1255 350 410) 705 725 1035
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1150 220 450) 720 1010
CARS (G) DIG (1140 220 455) 735 1020
THE DA VINCI CODE (PG-13) DIG 1025

POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16
3575 Jefferson Davis Hwy 800-FANDANGO 690#

Adv. Tix on Sale YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1030 1115 1145 1215 1245 130 200 245 315 345 415 500 530) 615 645 715 745 830 900 945 1015 1045 1115 1200
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1105 1135 145 215 425 455) 705 735 955 1025
OC: SUPERMAN RETURNS (NR) DIG ★ (1200)
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1130 1230 300 330 400) 630 700 730 1000 1030 1100
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1050 150 440) 720 1005
WAIST DEEP (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1225 250 515) 740 1020
FAST & THE FURIOUS 3 (PG-13) DIG (1020 105 340) 620 1140
NACHO LIBRE (PG) DIG (1100 140 410) 650 915 1150
THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) DIG 905
CARS (G) DIG (1005 100 355) 655 950

COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20
45980 Regal Plaza 800-FANDANGO 394#

Adv. Tix on Sale YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN 2 - DIGITAL PROJECTION (PG-13) DIG ★ (1245 415) 745 1115
OC: SUPERMAN RETURNS (NR) DIG ★ (1100)
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1015 1045 1115 1145 1215 115 145 215 245 315 345 445 515 545) 615 645 715 815 845 915 945 1015 1045 1145
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1030 1230 130 330 430) 630 730 930 1030 1200
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1200 100 200 300 400 500) 600 700 800 900 1000 1100 1200
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1240 340) 640 910 1150
FAST & THE FURIOUS 3 (PG-13) DIG (1120 150)
GARFIELD: A TALE OF TWO KITTIES (PG) DIG (1020 1220 250 520)
THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) DIG (1110 420) 950
NACHO LIBRE (PG) DIG (1150 230)
CARS (G) DIG (1010 110 410) 710 1010
THE BREAK-UP (PG-13) DIG (140) 650
X-MEN 3 (PG-13) DIG 740 1040
OVER THE HEDGE (PG) DIG (1050 120 350)
THE DA VINCI CODE (PG-13) DIG 620 940

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PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1115 1145 1215 1245 130 245 315 345 415 500) 615 645 715 745 830 945 1015 1045 1115 1200
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1100 1140 140 225 425 510) 710 755 950 1035 1220
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) ★ (1200 330) 700 1030
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1230 110 400 430) 730 800 1100 1130
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1120 205 450) 735 1005 1230
NACHO LIBRE (PG) DIG (1205 235 455) 720 955 1205
CARS (G) DIG (1040 120 410) 705 940

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10
4110 W Ox Road 800-FANDANGO 670#

Adv. Tix on Sale PHISH IN CONCERT (NR) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1010 1115 1145 1215 1245 130 245 315 345 415 500) 615 645 715 745 830 945 1015 1045 1115 1200
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1200 1230 115 330 400 445) 700 730 815 1030 1100 1145
CLICK (PG-13) (1100 150 430) 720 1000
NACHO LIBRE (PG) (1110 140 410) 710

Free Family Film Festival Tue & Wed 10AM

GERMANTOWN STADIUM 14
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Adv. Tix on Sale YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1115 1145 1215 1240 130 245 315 345 415 500) 615 645 715 745 830 945 1015 1045 1115 1200
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1030 1115 120 205 415 450) 700 740 950 1020 1220
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1130 1200 120 300 345 430) 630 730 800 1020 1115 1200
WAIST DEEP (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 230 500) 740 1030
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1045 130 420) 710 1000
NACHO LIBRE (PG) DIG (1100 140 440) 720 950 1220
CARS (G) DIG (1010 110 410) 715 1015

UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14
9161 Commerce Ctr Dr 800-FANDANGO 570#

Adv. Tix on Sale YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale PHISH IN CONCERT (NR) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1145 1215 1245 130 315 345 415 500) 645 715 745 830 1015 1045
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1100 1200 145 330 430) 630 730 930 1030
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1130 1230 130 300 400 500) 630 730 830 1000 1045
OC: CLICK (PG-13) DIG (145)
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1115 415) 700 930
THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) DIG (445) 1030
NACHO LIBRE (PG) DIG (1130 200) 745
CARS (G) DIG (1000 100 400) 715 1005
AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) DIG (1145 230 515) 800 1015
THE DA VINCI CODE (PG-13) DIG (1200 315) 645 1000

MANASSAS STADIUM 14
11380 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#

Adv. Tix on Sale YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) ★
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG-13) DIG ★ (1000 1115 1145 1215 1245 130 245 315 345 415 500) 615 645 715 745 830 945 1015 1045
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13) DIG (1030 1225 110 325 340) 635 730 935 1010
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG ★ (1100 1130 1200 230 300 330) 650 720 800 1035
CLICK (PG-13) DIG (1120 200 450) 735 1005
FAST & THE FURIOUS 3 (PG-13) DIG (145 430) 750 1025
GARFIELD: A TALE OF TWO KITTIES (PG) DIG (1125)
THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) DIG 1030
NACHO LIBRE (PG) DIG (1105 150 405) 815 1040
CARS (G) DIG (1020 115 400) 700 955

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THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) ✓ 10:55, 11:55, 1:40, 2:40, 4:25, 5:25, 7:10, 8:10, 9:55, 10:55, 12:35

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) ✓ 11:20, 12:00, 12:40, 1:20, 3:00, 3:40, 4:20, 5:00, 6:40, 7:20, 8:00, 8:40, 10:20, 11:10, 11:50, 12:20

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) [D] [CC] ✓ 11:20, 3:00, 6:40, 10:20

CLICK (PG13) 11:50, 12:50, 2:50, 3:50, 4:50, 5:50, 6:50, 7:50, 8:50, 9:50, 10:50, 11:50, 12:25

WAIST DEEP (R) 10:40, 11:40, 1:05, 2:20, 3:45, 4:55, 6:30, 7:35, 9:10, 10:15, 12:00, 12:45

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 11:05, 4:35, 10:10

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 10:30, 12:35, 2:35

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 11:15, 1:50, 4:15, 6:45, 9:20, 11:40

CARS (G) 10:35, 11:35, 1:10, 2:25, 4:05, 5:45, 7:15, 8:45, 10:00, 11:55

THE BREAK-UP (PG13) 1:35, 7:05, 12:05

X-MEN 3 (PG13) 1:45, 7:25, 12:40

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 11:25, 2:55, 6:35, 10:05

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 10:50, 4:10, 9:40

AMC SPRINGFIELD MALL 10

Loisdale and Franconia Road
703-971-3991

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:00, 12:45, 3:30, 4:15, 7:00, 7:45, 10:20, 11:00

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 1:30, 4:20, 7:30, 10:00

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 11:45, 12:30, 3:00, 3:45, 6:30, 7:15, 9:45, 10:30

CLICK (PG13) 1:45, 4:50, 7:50, 10:20

WAIST DEEP (R) 7:20, 9:40

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 4:40, 10:15

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 1:20, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30

CARS (G) 1:10, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 1:15, 7:40

AMC MAZZA GALLERIE

Jenifer and Wisconsin
202-537-9553

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) ✓ 12:00, 1:00, 2:35, 3:35, 5:10, 6:30, 7:55, 9:15, 10:30

CLICK (PG13) 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15

CLICK (PG13) [CC] 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15

WAIST DEEP (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 9:30

CARS (G) 12:45, 4:05, 7:00, 9:45

THE BREAK-UP (PG13) 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 12:00, 3:15, 6:30, 9:45

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14

3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441 821

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 3:15, 4:00, 4:45, 6:45, 7:30, 8:15, 10:15, 11:00, 11:45

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 11:50, 1:30, 2:30, 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:45, 12:20

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 11:40, 12:45, 3:00, 4:15, 6:30, 7:45, 10:00, 11:15

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) [CC] 11:40, 3:00, 6:30, 10:00

CLICK (PG13) 12:00, 2:25, 5:05, 7:50, 10:30

WAIST DEEP (R) 4:30, 10:20

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:25, 9:50, 12:10

CARS (G) 1:00, 3:50, 6:40, 9:35

THE BREAK-UP (PG13) 11:40, 1:55, 4:20, 7:35, 10:10

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 12:30, 3:45, 7:05, 10:25

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 1:50, 7:20

AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) 12:05, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40, 12:05

LOEWS UPTOWN 1

3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
202-966-5400 713

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 11:45, 3:15, 7:00, 10:40

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18

2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
703-998-4262

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) ✓ 11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 2:30, 3:15, 4:00, 4:45, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30, 8:15, 9:30, 10:15, 11:00, 11:45

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) ✓ 11:05, 12:10, 1:50, 2:50, 4:30, 5:25, 7:10, 8:10, 9:50, 10:50

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) ✓ 11:15, 12:00, 12:45, 2:45, 3:30, 4:15, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 9:45, 10:30, 11:15

CLICK (PG13) 11:20, 12:40, 2:00, 3:25, 4:40, 6:20, 7:25, 10:10

WAIST DEEP (R) 11:50, 2:15, 4:55, 7:35, 10:20

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 12:05, 2:35, 5:15, 7:50, 10:25

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 12:35, 2:55, 5:05

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05

CARS (G) 11:10, 12:50, 2:10, 3:40, 5:00, 6:30, 9:20

THE BREAK-UP (PG13) 7:20, 10:00

X-MEN 3 (PG13) 7:55, 10:35

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 9:00 PM

OVER THE HEDGE (PG) 11:55, 2:20, 4:35

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 7:05, 9:40

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14

10300 Patuxent Parkway
410-423-0520

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 2:30, 3:15, 4:00, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30, 9:30, 10:15, 11:00

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 11:55, 2:40, 5:25, 8:05, 10:50

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 11:20, 12:05, 12:50, 2:50, 3:35, 4:20, 6:20, 7:05, 7:50, 9:50, 10:30, 11:10

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) [D] [CC] 11:20, 2:50, 6:20, 9:50

CLICK (PG13) 12:15, 3:05, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45

WAIST DEEP (R) 11:05, 1:35, 4:05, 6:35, 9:05

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 6:50, 9:20

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 12:20, 2:20, 4:45

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 12:40, 2:55, 5:10, 7:40, 9:55

CARS (G) 1:10, 4:10, 7:15, 10:05

THE BREAK-UP (PG13) 4:30, 10:20

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 1:05, 7:00

OVER THE HEDGE (PG) 10:55, 1:00, 3:10, 5:15

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 7:25, 9:45

LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8

8065 Leesburg Pike
703-506-9857 802

WAIST DEEP (R) 7:40, 9:50

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:15

THE BREAK-UP (PG13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:05, 7:20, 10:00

X-MEN 3 (PG13) 12:45, 4:00, 7:35, 10:00

OVER THE HEDGE (PG) 12:30, 3:15, 5:30

MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE III (PG13) 7:05, 9:40

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THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG13) 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:55

AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) 12:15, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40

KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS (PG13) 7:45, 9:55

AKEELAH AND THE BEE (PG) 11:40, 4:15

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12

800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220 844

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:00, 1:00, 3:30, 4:30, 7:00, 7:45, 10:30, 11:00

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 12:05, 2:30, 5:20, 7:50, 10:20

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 12:50, 4:00, 7:15, 10:40

CLICK (PG13) 1:50, 4:20, 7:05, 10:05

WAIST DEEP (R) 1:30, 4:05, 6:30, 7:30, 9:00, 10:00

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 11:55, 2:25, 4:55, 7:25, 9:55

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 1:05, 3:05, 5:05

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15

CARS (G) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10

THE OMEN (R) 5:15, 10:25

X-MEN 3 (PG13) 12:05, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 12:00, 2:15, 7:55

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7

2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

THE WAR TAPES (NR–NOT RATED) 1:20, 4:40, 7:30, 9:50

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THE ROAD TO GUANTANAMO (R) 1:00, 3:40, 7:00, 9:40

WORDPLAY (PG) 1:40, 4:10, 7:00, 9:10

A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG13) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30

AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) 1:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:20

THE PROPOSITION (R) 1:10, 3:50, 7:40, 10:00

THE LOST CITY (R) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16

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PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) ✓ 10:30, 11:20, 12:10, 1:00, 1:50, 2:45, 3:40, 4:25, 5:15, 6:10, 7:00, 7:50, 8:35, 9:30, 10:20, 11:10, 11:50

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) [D] [CC] ✓ 11:20, 2:45, 6:10, 9:30

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) ✓ 10:55, 12:15, 1:45, 3:05, 4:30, 5:45, 7:10, 8:25, 9:50, 11:05

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) ✓ 10:50, 11:45, 12:35, 1:25, 2:15, 3:10, 4:05, 4:55, 5:40, 6:35, 7:30, 8:20, 9:10, 10:05, 11:00, 11:45

CLICK (PG13) 11:05, 12:25, 1:35, 2:55, 4:15, 5:35, 7:05, 8:20, 9:45, 11:15

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 5:30, 8:15, 10:50

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 1:05, 3:30, 5:55, 8:10, 10:30

CARS (G) 10:35, 12:00, 1:15, 2:50, 4:10, 7:15, 9:55

THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 12:30, 3:55, 7:20, 10:35

AMC RIVERTOWNE 12

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PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) ✓ 12:00, 12:30, 3:30, 4:05, 7:00, 7:30, 10:30, 10:45

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) ✓ 1:10, 4:10, 7:20, 10:10

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) ✓ 12:05, 1:00, 3:35, 4:30, 7:15, 8:30, 10:40

CLICK (PG13) 12:40, 3:05, 5:30, 8:00, 10:35

WAIST DEEP (R) 12:35, 1:30, 3:10, 4:35, 5:35, 7:10, 8:10, 10:00, 10:40

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 12:50, 3:15, 5:40, 8:20, 10:45

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 12:45, 3:00, 5:25

CARS (G) 12:25, 1:20, 3:25, 4:30, 6:30, 7:40, 9:30, 10:20

X-MEN 3 (PG13) 7:50, 10:25

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8

Courthouse and Birch Rd.
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CLICK (PG13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

WAIST DEEP (R) 12:45, 3:10, 5:30, 8:00, 10:10

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 12:15, 1:45, 2:45, 4:30, 5:15, 7:15, 7:45, 9:40, 10:15

GARFIELD 2 (PG) 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:10, 9:10

CARS (G) 1:00, 4:05, 6:45, 9:30

X-MEN 3 (PG13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45

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A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG13) 1:30, 4:20, 6:50, 9:15

AMC COUNTRY CLUB MALL 6

Country Club Mall on Vocke Rd near Route 68.
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PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) ✓ 11:30, 12:30, 3:00, 4:00, 6:30, 7:30, 10:00, 10:45

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) ✓ 11:15, 12:00, 2:45, 3:30, 6:15, 7:00, 9:45, 10:30

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) [D] [CC] ✓ 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:30

CLICK (PG13) 1:00, 4:10, 7:10, 9:45

FAST AND THE FURIOUS 3 (PG13) 4:20, 9:45

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 1:00, 7:20

LOEWS WISCONSIN AVE. 6

4000 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.
202-244-0882 714

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 11:45, 12:30, 1:00, 3:00, 4:00, 4:30, 6:15, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30

NACHO LIBRE (PG) 2:10, 4:35, 7:00, 9:20

MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE III (PG13) 1:30, 6:55

AMC SELECT

THE LAKE HOUSE (PG) 4:25, 9:40

A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG13) 1:50, 4:20, 7:10, 9:35

LOEWS DUPONT 5

1350 19th St.
202-872-9555 711

THE KING (R) 2:10, 7:10

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THE HEART OF THE GAME (PG13) 2:20, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45

THE ROAD TO GUANTANAMO (R) 2:30, 5:00, 7:50, 10:00

WORDPLAY (PG) 2:45, 5:30, 8:00, 10:10

KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS (PG13) 4:40, 9:40

WATER (PG13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5

North Bethesda
310-423-1014 741

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:15

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:20

SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 12:05, 3:35, 7:05, 10:10

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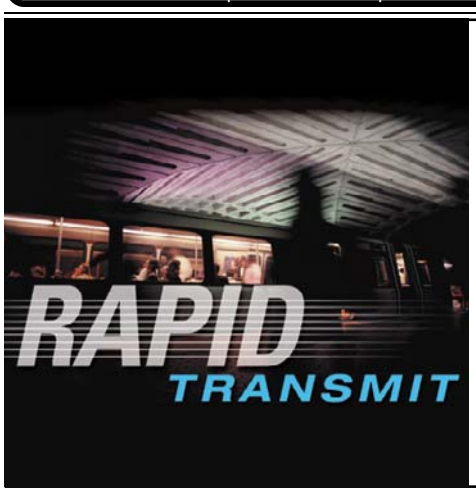

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A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG-13)
1:55, 4:25, 7:10, 9:40
WATER (PG-13)
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Blood Ties: Behind the scenes of Showtime's earthy — and reportedly excellent — new drama, "Brotherhood." | *TV Week*

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Now Playing

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but less well-known puzzle-solvers who compete in the annual American Crossword Puzzle Tournament, puzzlemakers and Times puzzle editor Will Shortz. (JANE HORWITZ)

X-MEN: THE LAST STAND (PG-13, 104 minutes) The third installment in the series features the same core group of physically gifted mutants. A scientist discovers a cure for mutantism, leading each X to choose between retaining his or her often problematic powers or becoming human. Chock-full of references to Nazi eugenics, the civil and disability rights movements and even the abortion wars, the film suggests that the personal is always political. But director Brett Ratner makes a hash of the story and characters, delivering a pumped-up exercise in mayhem, carnage and blunt-force trauma. (SH)

REVIEWS BY THE WASHINGTON POST'S **ANN HORNADAY, STEPHEN HUNTER, MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN, DESSON THOMSON AND TERESA WILTZ**. FOR MORE CAPSULES AND FULL REVIEWS OF THESE AND OTHER FILMS SEE **THE WASHINGTON POST WEEKEND SECTION**

TOMORROW, THE WORLD: Donald Trump is plunging his thick fingers into yet another pie. The real-estate tycoon and reality-TV mogul will start a production company. He is also developing a television show based on the game Monopoly.

Television

ON TV THIS WEEKEND

WE CAN THINK OF TWO

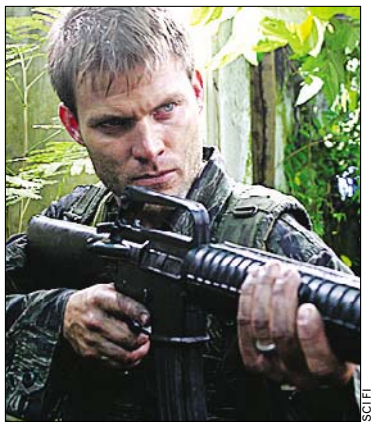
GREATEST MOMENTS: DOLLY PARTON (8 p.m., CMT) follows the career of the country star from her earliest appearances on "The Porter Waggoner Show" and appearances at county fairs in Tennessee. Critics, fans and fellow musicians discuss her career choices and musical evolution.

CULT CHOICE

A Cold War spy (Michael Caine) unearths a mind-control operation in the 1965 drama **THE IPCRESS FILE** (Fri., 8 p.m., TCM).

RANCH DRESSING

Best known for playing John-Boy Walton in his youth, Richard Thomas stars in **WILD HEARTS** (Sat., 9 p.m., Hallmark) as Bob, a Los Angeles policeman who makes a radical midlife U-turn. One minute Bob is picking up his surly teenage daughter, Madison (Hallee Hirsh), from her posse of bored skateboarding pals, and the next he discovers that his estranged father has died and has left him an expansive horse ranch.



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"Slayer" star Casper Van Dien would like you to know he has a very big gun

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Morning TV alert! In anticipation of the All Star game, GSN dedicates Saturday morning to vintage episodes of **WHAT'S MY LINE** featuring appearances by baseball legends, including Ted Williams (9 a.m., Saturday, GSN), Joe DiMaggio (9:30 a.m.), Jackie Robinson (10 a.m.) and Willie Mays (10:30 a.m.).

FRIENDS DON'T LET FRIENDS GET BITTEN BY VAMPIRES

Casper Van Dien and his wife, Catherine Oxenberg, appeared in the "Newlyweds"-inspired "I Married a Princess" reality show. Together, the "Starship Troopers" star and the "Dynasty" brat proved that even the impossibly good-looking could share a really boring life. Tonight, Van Dien stars in **SLAYER** (Sat., 9 p.m., Sci Fi) as a soldier assigned to hunt down and kill his best friend after that pal succumbs to a vampire's bite. "Wonder Woman" Lynda Carter co-stars.

PASS THE TARTAR SAUCE

People don't stand a chance against genetically mutated critters in the 2004 shocker **FRANKENFISH** (Sun., 9 p.m., Sci Fi).

SKIP THE FILM, SEE THE TV SHOW

TRUE CARIBBEAN PIRATES (Sun., 8 p.m., History) recalls the history behind the movie-generating legends. After Christopher Columbus claimed the West Indies for Spain in 1492, the traffic in gold between the New World and the Old World drew the attention of rival kingdoms that hired privateers to pinch some of the Iberia-bound loot.

Over the centuries, the relationship between sea-going scalawags and colonial officials grew. The royal governor of Jamaica hired Sir Henry Morgan to plunder nearby Spanish possessions and raid shipping lanes. "True" chronicles Morgan as well as his other violent raiders, male and female, including Calico Jack, Anne Bonny and Mary Read. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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	WETA 26	BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Washington Week	Inside Wash.	NOW (N) CC	Bill Moyers on Faith & Reason (N)		Catherine the Great CC		Catherine-Grt
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	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries CC		Ultimate Dog Championships (N)		Meerkat Manor	Animal Videos	The Planet's Funniest Animals (N)		Animal Cops San Francisco CC		Ultimate Dog Championships	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live Top 10 countdown. (N)			★★ "Sugar Hill" (1993, Drama) Wesley Snipes, Michael Wright, Theresa Randle. CC					Comicview CC		Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx
	Bravo	(4:00) ★★★ "Empire of the Sun"		The West Wing "Pilot" CC		★★ "U-571" (2000, Suspense) Matthew McConaughey, Bill Paxton, Harvey Keitel. CC					★★ "U-571" (2000) Matthew McConaughey. CC		
	Comedy	★★ "The Big Lebowski" (1998) Jeff Bridges, John Goodman. CC				Daily Show	Colbert Report	Mind of Mencia	Mind of Mencia	South Park CC	South Park CC	South Park CC	Reno 911! CC
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	DISCH	Paramedics "Lonesome Highways"		Trauma: Life in the ER CC		Trauma: Life in the ER CC		Dr. G: Medical Examiner CC		Skeleton Stories "Basement Burial"		Trauma: Life in the ER CC	
	Disney	That's So Raven	Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	That's So Raven	Phil of the Future	Zack & Cody	★★★ "Monsters, Inc." (2001, Comedy) Voices of John Goodman. CC				Zack & Cody	That's So Raven
	E!	LRC: Pirates 2	Ashlee Simpson	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Uncovered: Miss USA		Simple Life	Simple Life	The Soup (N)	Handler Show	E! News	Sat. Night Live
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	Lifetime	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	★★ "Awake to Danger" (1995, Suspense) Tori Spelling, Michael Gross. CC				"Hush" (2005, Suspense) Tori Spelling, Victoria Pratt, Tahmoh Penikett. CC				Will & Grace	Will & Grace
	MTV	Can't Be You	Room Raiders	Sucker Free		Pimp My Ride	Pimp My Ride	Pimp My Ride	Pimp My Ride	Where My Dog	Celebrity Death	Blowin' Up	Fast Inc.
	NICK	Ned's School	Danny Phantom	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	★ "What a Girl Wants" (2003, Comedy) Amanda Bynes, Colin Firth.				★ "What a Girl Wants" (2003, Comedy) Amanda Bynes, Colin Firth.			
	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 "Prophecy" CC		Countdown to Doomsday Ominous terrestrial threats; host Matt Lauer. CC				Quest for Atlantis: Startling New Secrets (N) CC				Quest for Atlantis: Secrets	
	SPIKE	World's Wildest Police Videos CC		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		The Shield "Bottom Bitch" CC		Blade: The Series "Death Goes On"	
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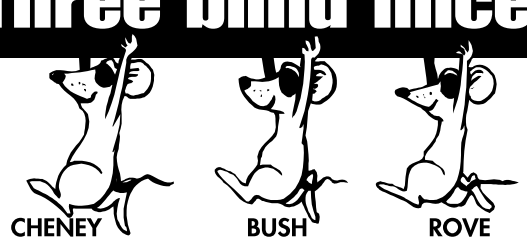

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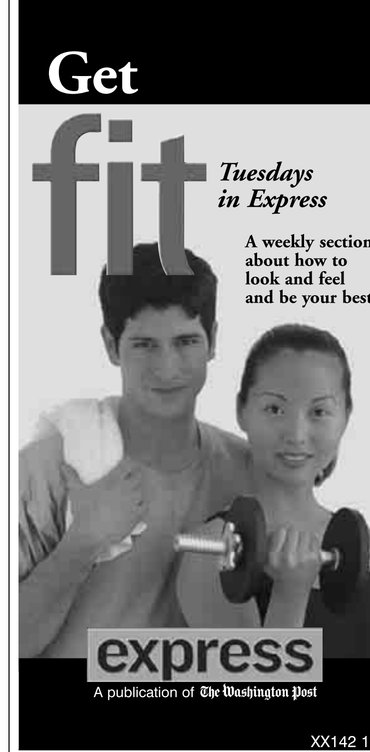

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PAUL SAKUMA

SPEED OF LIGHT SWITCH: Engineer Ian Wright in his electric sports car, which goes from zero to 60 mph in three seconds.

Auto Advances

Technology

The electric car is back, and this time it's faster than ever

Like many Silicon Valley engineers, Martin Eberhard loves cars, especially fast ones. But the self-described "closet gearhead" didn't feel comfortable buying a hot rod that guzzled gas from the Middle East or some other troubled region.

So three years ago, Eberhard and friend Marc Tarpenning launched Tesla Motors Inc. Their goal: to design a sports car that would go as fast as a Ferrari or Porsche, but run on electricity.

Silicon Valley thinks it can do what Detroit could not — create a thriving business selling electric cars. In the 1990s, General Motors and other automakers spent billions to develop battery-powered vehicles, but they flopped because most couldn't travel more than 100 miles before having to recharge.

At least three Silicon Valley start-ups — Tesla Motors of San Carlos, Wrightspeed Inc. of Woodside and battery maker Li-on Cells of Menlo Park — are among a small cadre of companies nationwide developing electric cars or components.

As fuel costs rise, technology improves and consumers seek more environmentally friendly vehicles, this new generation of electric car companies sees potential in a market niche largely neglected by the big automakers.

The success of Toyota's Prius and other hybrids has shown there's a market for eco-friendly cars. But Tesla's Eberhard thinks the Prius is "terrifically ugly" and believes other wealthy car enthusiasts feel the same way.

In Tesla's workshop about 20 miles south of San Francisco, Eberhard and Tarpenning offered a glimpse of their first model — a sleek two-seater called the Roadster that resembles a Lotus Elise — but would not allow photographs. They plan to unveil it at an event for prospective buyers next month in Santa Monica.

"We're building a car for people who like to drive," Eberhard said. "This is not a punishment car."

The Roadster will be able to drive about 250 miles on a single three-hour charge, drive up to 135 miles per hour and accelerate from zero to 60 in four seconds, Eberhard said. It will cost between $85,000 and $120,000.

Ian Wright, who left Tesla to start Wrightspeed last year, is aiming at the same $3 billion market for high-performance sports cars. The New Zealand-born electrical engineer spent nine months retooling an Ariel Atom race car to run on a lithium-ion battery; he plans to eventually sell the prototype of the car for about $120,000.

Wright frequently takes prospective investors — and reporters — for a spin in the hills near his Woodside home. With no doors, roof or windshield, a drive in Wrightspeed's X1 feels like a roller coaster ride. It accelerates from zero to 60 mph in three seconds.

"I wouldn't describe myself as a radical environmentalist," said Wright, who is still trying to raise his first round of funding. "I think my customers will buy my cars for performance. The energy efficiency is nice to have, but it's not the reason they will buy the car."

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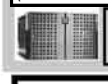

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N. Korea Tests a Threat?

FOREIGN RELATIONS | Thursday's **POLL CENTER** question asking whether readers think that **NORTH KOREA**'s missile tests are a threat drew some interesting comments. Says commenter **AUA**: "North Korea's missile 'tests' are the modern-day equivalent of rattling sabers. ... Threat? No more so than getting your heels nipped at by a puppy."

Responds **ESTEBAN**: "We have them, are we threatening other countries with them? If you answer yes, then it only makes sense for other countries to deal with that threat by trying to have some for themselves. And if you answer no, then its likely they wouldn't threaten other countries as well. So where is the threat in all of that?"

Goldblum + Richie = ?

According to reports, **JEFF GOLDBLUM** has been spotted on dinner dates with **NICOLE RICHIE**, who reportedly says she has had a crush on him since she was 13. No word on whether Goldblum has been seen using his signature romantic move on Richie — delicately pouring a drop of water on her hand, gazing into her eyes and babbling about chaos theory. What will **PARIS HILTON**'s counter-strike be? Tapas with **STEVE GUTTENBERG**?

MICHAEL GRASS (EXPRESS)

Coming Soon to Conn. Ave.

Tourists and conventioneers aren't known for being hip to new trends in footwear, but later this fall, one of U Street NW's trendsetters, **KEVIN POWERS** of **CARBON**, will head across the Duke Ellington Bridge to set up shop on Connecticut Avenue, across the street from the Woodley Park-Zoo Metro station.

"It's a matter of bringing the product to the right people. It's the chance to grow an edgy shop into more of a mainstream neighborhood," Powers said. "The people in this neighborhood are really well-traveled, and I'm bringing them things they've seen all over the world." KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

PHIL MCCARTEN/AP

ODD PURSUIT: Do Jeff Goldblum, above, and Nicole Richie seem like a match?

→ Coming up today

Express bus service on Georgia Avenue is poised to open more neighborhoods for development. What other Metrobus changes could be helpful?

Poll Center

TODAY'S QUESTION

Should the Nationals trade Alfonso Soriano?

1. Yes
2. No

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Do you see North Korea's missile tests as a threat?

YES	NO
62%	38%

As of 5:15 p.m. Thursday. Not a scientific poll.

GIVE YOUR OPINION ON TODAY'S POLL QUESTION AND GET A STATION-BY-STATION BREAKDOWN OF HOW YOUR FELLOW METRORAIL COMMUTERS VOTED AT **READEXPRESS.COM/POLLCENTER.PHP**

The Blog Log

"We have 365 days to come up with a cogent plan for keeping [Butterstick] on these shores, rather than sending him to China."

DCEIVER.BLOGSPOT.COM DOESN'T BELIEVE IN PANDA DIPLOMACY AND CALLS ON FANS OF TAI SHAN TO COME UP WITH A PLAN TO PREVENT THE NATIONAL ZOO FROM SENDING HIM TO CHINA.

Many Challenges

"It's quite a legacy, isn't it? ... We're looking at a landscape that is more dangerous, less stable and less friendly to the United States than at any time in recent memory."

THECARPETBAGGERREPORT.COM REACTS TO A WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE ABOUT HOW THE U.S. IS FACING MORE FOREIGN THREATS THAN IN ANY TIME IN HISTORY.

Mmmm ... Bacon

"If you have friends or loved ones who're vegetarian, think twice before cooking peppered bacon in their presence. Their life long ideals could risk being thrown by the wayside in pursuit of instant satisfaction."

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Paris, a Better Person?

"I really used to hate her because she was just famous for being a spoiled rich girl, but now that she's actually producing something and contributing to the culture, maybe it's OK to not hate her. I'm officially changing my stance on her."

CHRISAFER.COM/BBBS.HTM PUBLISHES AN INSTANT MESSAGE CONVERSATION WITH A FRIEND ABOUT MS. HILTON, NOW THAT HER NEW MUSIC VIDEO HAS COME OUT.

An Odd Sign of Affection

"Elsewhere, it's normal to kiss children (obviously NOT with tongue) but I admit, it's a tad bizarre that he kissed a child on the belly, while the child was standing."

A COMMENTER ON **DLISTED.BLOGSPOT.COM** ON PHOTOS OF RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN KISSING A YOUNG BOY ON THE STOMACH, WHICH ATTRACTED QUESTIONS OF PROTOCOL.

DON'T

EAT PANDA CUPCAKES TO CELEBRATE TAI SHAN'S FIRST BIRTHDAY. Eat panda cupcakes to desecrate the Butterstick image in protest of the furball's undeserved publicity. Get the recipe off himonkey.net/cooking and make your statement on Sunday.

Live Online

Ken Lay's Death

The Washington Post's **CARRIE JOHNSON** was online Thursday to discuss the death of former Enron executive Kenneth L. Lay. | **washingtonpost.com/liveonline**

Was Mr. Lay going to be a witness against anyone else in a plea arrangement to get his sentence reduced?

No, Lay had not reached any kind of agreement with prosecutors. In a very real sense, he was the man at the top. There was no one else (i.e., a bigger fish) at Enron against whom he could testify even if he so desired. Lay, for his part, strongly maintained his innocence.

Can the government recover Lay's assets now, or will it be more difficult now that he is dead?

Legal experts conclude that it will be far more difficult for the government and shareholders to recover Lay's assets. For one thing, due to the state of federal law in Texas, Lay's lawyers can move to have the jury verdict thrown out, because he is not available to carry forward his appeal.

Foul play definitely ruled out?

The pathologist yesterday told us there were "no signs" of foul play.

Now that Mr. Lay is dead, is it possible his nemesis, Sherron Watkins, will find a job?

Sherron Watkins, who raised alarms about troubling accounting practices and predicted the company would implode in a wave of accounting scandals, testified against Lay and his former protege, Jeff Skilling, during the criminal trial. She now earns a living making speeches and consulting.

Does America understand the word "compassion?" Or do we just focus on stock values? How quickly we lose mercy and grace for our fellow man.

Ken Lay had a wife of 24 years, five children and a dozen grandchildren, all of whom are grieving

→ Today on Live Online

NOON: Washington Post staff writer Jason La Canfora will be live from Germany to discuss Sunday's World Cup final.

12:30 P.M.: Film critic Desson Thomson discusses the new "Pirates of the Caribbean" movie and other summer films.

Look out

Bizarro | *Dan Piraro*

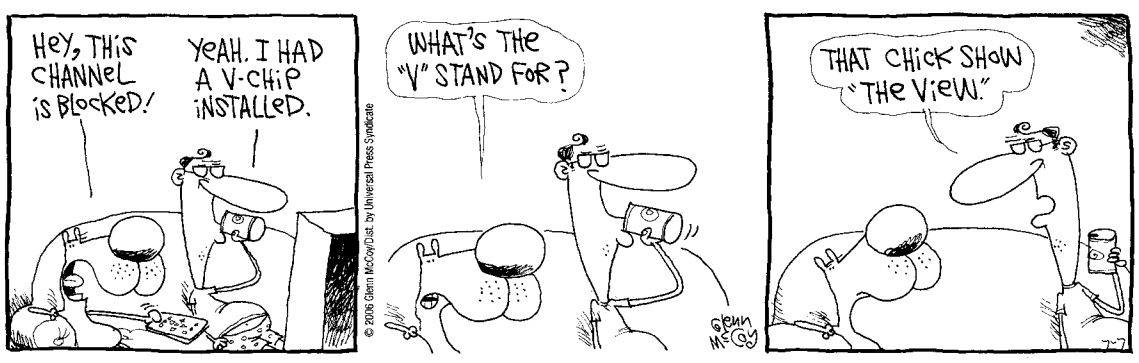
Cornered | *Mike Baldwin*

Mother was right, he thought. She's just using me – for medicinal purposes.

Pooch Cafe | *Paul Gilligan*

Pearls Before Swine | *Stephan Pastis*

The Duplex | *Glenn McCoy*



Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A little can go a long way, provided it's just the right little and you are focusing on precisely the right goals.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't be confused between being justifiably concerned about your own welfare and being downright egotistical. The former is essential.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Keep things light and casual in the morning, and take the time to judge each and every individual — and contribution — as accurately as possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Someone may not agree with either your methods or motives, so you can expect to have a difficult time of it as a result. Be patient.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You may be unusually selfish, demanding only those things that serve you best without giving much thought to others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You may have to rearrange things to suit your particular needs — but you'll have to clear it first with someone in authority.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone may be putting up roadblocks all along your route. See if you can't take another road, or find another mode of transportation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You can bet that opposites attract — and with a bang. Take care that you're not overcome with emotions you cannot successfully control.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You can't afford to be self-conscious. Success depends upon a willingness to be completely open and honest and uninhibited.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may discover that all your presumptions about a past event are patently untrue. You can take the time, finally, to get accurate information.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You will be able to grant someone a very special wish before the day is out. When the time comes, you can make a special request yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You'll seem to have everything going for you, but one small weakness can get you into trouble if you neglect to give it attention.

Letters

Seniors Have Right to Seats

IN RESPONSE TO Mr. Deland's comment that the "woman should have asked to sit in one of the six seats" ("Use Designated Metro Seats," July 6), I would like to point out that the signs above those seats say "Federal Law requires that these seats be available to persons with disabilities and to seniors." It doesn't say "these seats should be asked to be available." Mr. Deland was probably confused by the concept of manners and courtesy when he wrote his response. Next time, he should probably think before he speaks.

—CONNIE HILL
Arlington, Va.

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Today in History

1846 U.S. annexation of California was proclaimed at Monterey after the surrender of a Mexican garrison.

1865 Four people were hanged in Washington for conspiring with John Wilkes Booth to assassinate President Lincoln.

1898 The United States annexed Hawaii.

1958 Eisenhower signed the Alaska statehood bill.

1981 President Reagan announced he was nominating Arizona Judge Sandra Day O'Connor to become the first female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

2005 Suicide terrorist bombings in three Underground stations and a double-decker bus killed 52 victims and four bombers.

AP PHOTO

Sandra Day O'Connor was the first female justice of the Supreme Court.

Look out | People

AP

Agoraphobia: Clearly the solution!

IT'S SO SIMPLE

If You Don't Want Pictures Shot, Don't Leave the House

BRITNEY SPEARS is annoyed with US Weekly, again. In a statement, she said she was "outraged and saddened" that photos of her family vacation of Miami were published in the gossip rag. (AP)

TRANSLATION

'Hey Woody! HIT ME!'

The Los Angeles Police Department is investigating allegations that **WOODY HARRELSON** assaulted a photographer last Thursday, E! Online reported. Josh Levine says he was tailing Harrelson, who asked him to stop. Levine replied, "Can't help it, man. You're just so sexy." Levine says Harrelson tried to choke him. (EXPRESS)

FIONA HANSON/AP

MORE OF THE SAME

Yet More Praise

"Harry Potter" author **J.K. ROWLING** received an honorary doctorate on Thursday in recognition of the help she has given researchers into multiple sclerosis. Rowling, whose mother died of MS, was awarded a Doctorate of Laws by Aberdeen University in Scotland. The writer is president of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Scotland and has donated to the cause. (AP)

DATING

If She Won't Say It, We Will: Lance, You're a Pig

OF COURSE she wanted him there!

SHERYL CROW says it was tough to be apart from ex-fiance Lance Armstrong after she was diagnosed with breast cancer. When Crow, 44, learned she had cancer, she contacted Armstrong, who was on a road trip. "When I got that news, I can't even describe it," says Armstrong. "I actually turned around to make the drive to L.A." But Crow refused, telling him she felt "it would be hard on her in trying to manage the breakup and the diagnosis. And I totally understood," he said. (AP)

A MYSTERY

Faulty Lamp ... or Mad Jack?

Flames scorched Sharon and **OZZY OSBOURNE**'s English country mansion Thursday morning, the result of a faulty lamp. Paramedics treated a member of the household staff for smoke inhalation. The fire service plans to try to meet with the Osbournes to advise them on fire safety. (AP)

MENTAL HEALTH

Obtainable Goals Are Important to Self-Esteem

Some stars want fame and fortune. "American Idol" winner **TAYLOR HICKS** just wants to ride a tour bus. Hicks gets to do just that on the "American Idols Live" tour, which kicked off Wednesday in Manchester, N.H. The tour ends Sept. 24 in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. "I've always wanted to be on a bus. ... My home has been on the road since even before 'American Idol,'" the 29-year-old said. (AP)

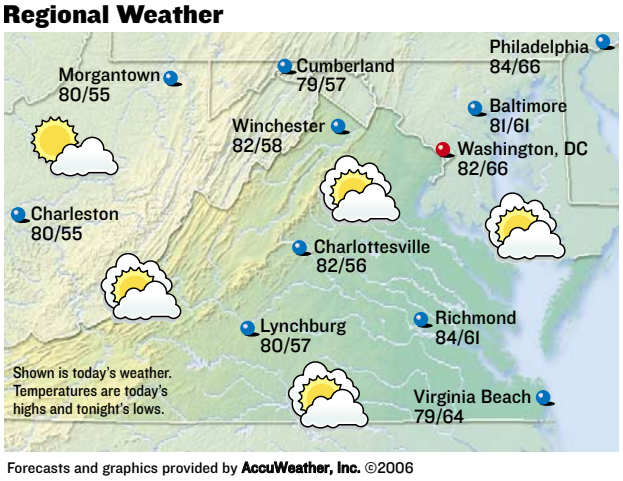
LUCAS JACKSON/AP

Growing up in Alabama, Taylor Hicks dreamed of someday riding a tour bus.

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly sunny	Mostly clear	Partly sunny, warm	Partly sunny, warm, more humid	A p.m. thundershower possible	Thundershower possible
82°	66°	87° / 68°	87° / 70°	90° / 71°	88° / 72°

Regional Weather



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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

Temperature

High	78°
Low	67°
Normal high	88°
Normal low	69°
Average humidity	71%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	1.07"
Month to date	2.53"
Normal month to date	0.67"
Year to date	27.62"
Last year to date	22.07"
Normal year to date	19.83"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: **washingtonpost.com/weather**

Regional Forecast

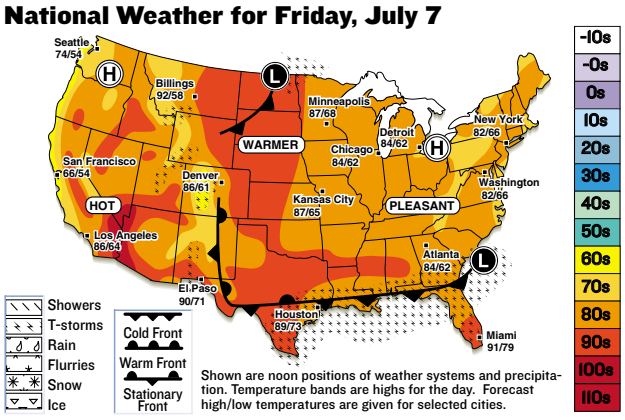
D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny. High 82. Wind north-northeast 7-14 mph. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 66. Wind west-northwest 3-6 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	5:50 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:36 p.m.
Moonrise today	5:41 p.m.
Moonset today	2:15 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
July 10	July 17	July 25	Aug 2

National Weather for Friday, July 7



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	84/62/s	88/65/s
Boston	79/64/s	80/63/s
Chicago	84/62/s	86/68/s
Dallas	90/68/s	94/74/pc
Denver	86/61/t	84/58/t
Honolulu	89/78/s	88/78/s
Los Angeles	86/64/pc	88/66/s
Miami	91/79/t	90/78/t
New York City	82/66/s	86/68/s
Orlando	88/72/t	88/73/t
Seattle	74/54/pc	80/56/pc

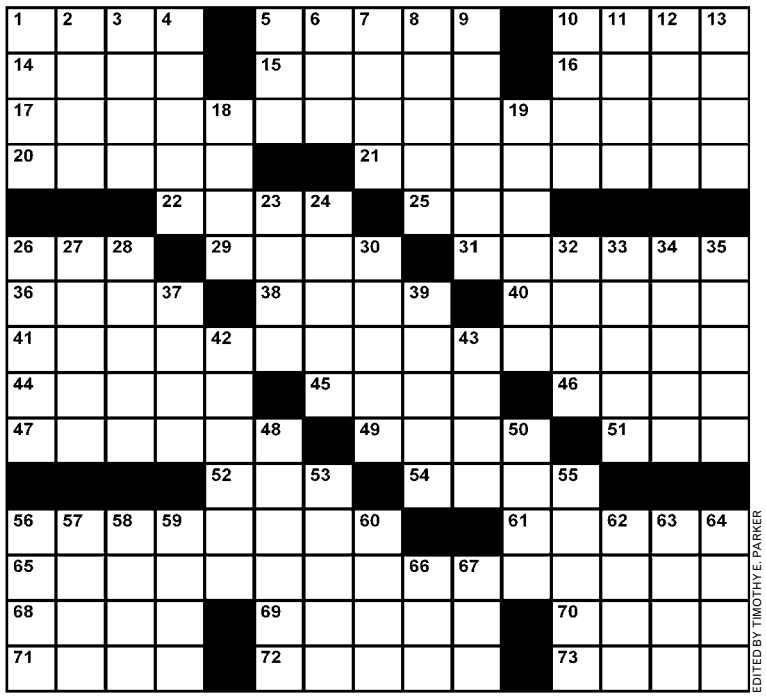
World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	72/59/pc	68/57/pc
Athens	86/70/s	84/72/s
Berlin	90/66/pc	80/65/c
Buenos Aires	72/54/c	62/44/c
Calgary	74/51/s	80/55/s
Dublin	63/48/c	63/54/r
Geneva	75/61/c	81/56/pc
Moscow	81/55/s	82/62/pc
Rome	81/66/r	82/67/pc
Sydney	66/45/s	63/45/s
Tokyo	79/72/sh	81/73/pc

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Look out

Let's Have Some Pun



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1 Smudged with soot
5 "... darkness ___ ignorance" (Luther)
10 Steals, ironically
14 Pope, 440-461
15 Actress Della
16 Region
17 Gathering of the brass?
20 Malleolus locale
21 Backslides
22 Hounds for payment
25 Feather partner
26 Victrola manufacturer
29 Fish, gerbils and such
31 Reduce speed
36 Instruments of war
38 Last word from Kasparov?
40 Squashed circles
41 Composer's liquor amount?
44 Permeate
45 Residential overhang
46 Part of Doris Day's theme song
47 Extremely poisonous
49 Idler's antithesis
51 Like the seafood in sushi, often
52 Place for a baby, at times
54 "It seemed like a good ___ at the time!"
56 Places of instruction and learning
61 Specialized vocabulary
65 Water sources in Denver?
68 Items in a smokehouse, perhaps
69 Half of Hispaniola
70 Poet Teasdale
71 What, who, how or where follower
72 Haggard hero Quatermain
73 Decorative pitcher

DOWN
1 Pond plant
2 "As ___ on TV!"
3 Respond to a bumper sticker, perhaps
4 Output
5 It's there for support
6 Serpentine swimmer
7 Paraphernalia
8 It's a good thing
9 Units of magnetic flux density
10 David, for one
11 Eyes, poetically
12 Soccer great
13 Verbalizes
18 Enlist again
19 Words between John Montagu and Sandwich
23 Verne captain
24 Barrel strip
26 More than zealous
27 ___ de menthe
28 Single-celled organism (Var.)
30 Word with in or home
32 Sheep
33 Thin, crisp biscuit
34 Sound beginning
35 "Fiddle-faddle!"
37 Small earring
39 Short stanza concluding a poem
42 "Catch-22" author Joseph
43 It needs room to grow
48 Honda rival
50 Derriere
53 Gas or clutch
55 Crop up
56 Muscle malady
57 Barbecue material
58 Gifts for the poor
59 Medicinal quantity
60 Growing medium
62 Chew on, as a bone
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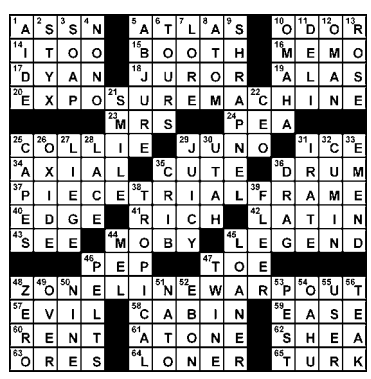
67 Wrestler's goal

Yesterday's Solution



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Yesterday's Solution

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face Q+A time

■ **It's no surprise that Septime Webre**, the dashing, often daring artistic director of the Washington Ballet, is a man in constant motion. He just led his once strike-embattled company in a critically lauded return to the stage with May's "The Bach/Beatles Project." He's also been helping train staffers at Dupont Circle's arty new Palomar Hotel in ballet moves, which hotel management hopes will make the hostelry not only hip but also graceful.

STEVE VACCARIELLO

Septime Webre

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR, WASHINGTON BALLET

Why do the Palomar folks want to teach bellhops how to move?
It began with the idea that the hotel would be successful if it were infused with artistic energy and ideals. The result is that these people comport themselves better, and get the notion that art and beauty can be central to doing their jobs.

Well, you're certainly surrounded by artistry at your own job. Do you carry that into your apartment?
I love having things around me with aesthetic resonance. I've got Mies van der Rohe chairs in my living room that embody modernism. They were designed in the 1920s, and they still look good today.

Any other favorite objects?
I've also got these carved 19th-century wooden statue bases from a church, which I use as tables. I grew up in a big Catholic family, so I'm interested in church iconography. But they're subtle, not like a velvet painting of the Virgin of the Guadalupe!

You also have a taxidermy collection, right?
I've got some beautiful squirrels, an African buck and some other things. I bought a six-inch-long alligator at a Paris flea market, too. Initially, the collection was ironic. I went to school in Texas, and I spent hundreds of hours driving between Austin and my parents' home in Brownsville. My brothers and I would stop at a Dairy Queen next to a taxidermy shop, and my interest began there.

So why do you like stuffed stuff?
One of the things I like to do, whether it's in choreography, in dress or in how I decorate, is to throw curve balls, to add a sense of surprise.

Any other unusual things chez Septime?
Well, I love flea markets, which is where I got my collection of Murano glass clowns. As a child, I was afraid of clowns. Some people get over their fears via therapy. I got over mine through shopping.

What do you wear to work?
Adidas track pants and a T-shirt, very basic. I like being either very casual or very dressed.

So what do you put on when you aren't leading rehearsals?
I like stuff that's simple and well-tailored, generally in solid colors and cut a little slim. I like Jil Sander suits, because they have a great, minimal cut. I like to shop at Relish in Georgetown and Saks for Men. And my secret weapon: Zara, because it has affordable prices.

> "Some people get over fears via therapy. I got over mine through shopping."

You've got a rockin' haircut, right?
I seek a certain wildness in design, so I actually like a wildness in my haircut, too.

So your place looks great, and you're wearing something great. How do you entertain?
I tend to bring friends in for dinner. I do simple things, sometimes a Cuban arroz con pollo, since I grew up with that food. And I'm a big mojito maker — my secret is to add Angostura bitters. The whole company recently came over to drink them. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

IN THE POST TODAY

Child's Play:
Weekend's guide to summer fun for kids includes movies, music, art, sports, cooking, and more.

Also in Weekend... Actor John Corbett is playing a new role now—country musician. Amy Sedaris plays Jerri Blank in "Strangers With Candy," a new film based on the Comedy Central series. And Washington singer-songwriter Benjy Ferree plays locally.

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goods | Styles

1 In the Haute Seat

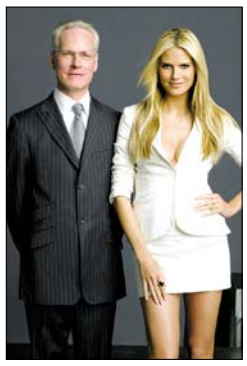
PLYWOOD ZIGZAGS THAT LOOK something like bendy, oversized Popsicle sticks form Adams Morgan furniture-maker Justin Couch's new "M Chair" and "Pi Table" ($1,000, Homebody, 715 8th St. SE; 202-544-8445). "Plywood comes in standard sheets, so I was trying to use the negative space when I created that little table," said Couch, who custom-builds the pieces at Capitol Hill's Giso Studios (giso.net). "They would look good in an urban loft with hardwood floors."

Grab Bag

3 Squaring Off at the Bar

REMAINING RESPONSIBLE after a couple of martinis is practically impossible. But you can at least maintain an ethical stance if it's Square One Vodka ($30, astorwines.com) that's sloshing around in your glass. The new spirit, soon to be served at Agraria Restaurant (3000 K St. NW; 202-298-0003, agrariarestaurant.com), is the world's first vodka made from organically grown and fermented rye. Plus, that's soy-based ink on the recycled-paper label. It'll make you feel good all over — except when you have that hangover tomorrow morning.

2 Make It Work



THE SUMMER OF NOTHING TO TIVO officially ends July 12 at 10 p.m. with the return of Bravo's fab fashion designer reality show, "Project Runway." Heidi and Tim will immediately put the third crop of aspiring Isaacs to the test by forcing them to rip apart their New York pads to produce ready-to-wear looks. One contestant has a Santino-y tendency to go overboard; another is completely nuts. We're psyched.

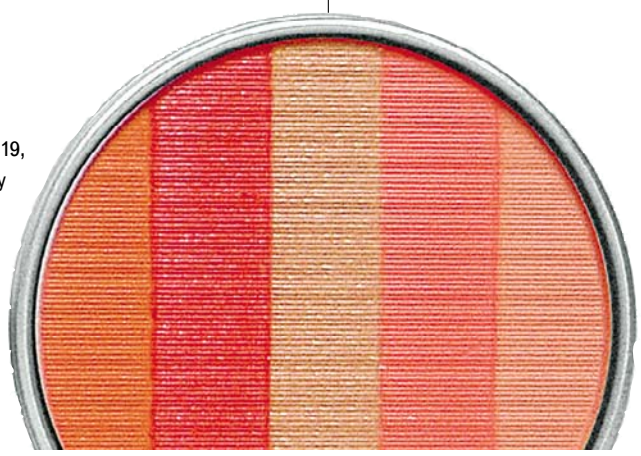
MICHELLE REPISO/EXPRESS

4 Sweet Fashion

WHETHER YOU PRONOUNCE IT "CAR-mel" or "car-a-mel," you're sure to appreciate Caramel (1603 U St. NW; 202-265-1930), which sells both men's and women's clothing and accessories. Most of the inventory is classic, with standouts that include a Wendy Hil lace dress ($179). Owner Sarah Watkins is friendly and helpful, and prices are far less wallet-busting than some other local boutiques.

5 It's a Cakewalk

BE NOT AFRAID! The Blush Cake from Pop ($19, Sephora) will not turn you into a glittery, stripey clown. A sweep of the brush across the multicolored surface blends the colors; when applied to cheeks, it actually looks more natural, since the different hues give skin more depth and warmth than one color ever could. And the subtle shimmer imparts a dewy, glowing finish. It's available in formulas for light, medium and deep skin tones.



dear manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOEBLOGGER

I'm a physician and, like most doctors, I spend many hours standing. Can you suggest a shoe both comfy and stylish? —LUCIA

■ Manolo asks, when did the doctors first begin to dress like the mental patients? Is it now mandatory that every physician now appear everywhere — the surgery, the hospital, the bank, the country club — wearing the green pajamas and the ridiculous plastic "comfort" clogs?

Yes, the Manolo knows that they are called the "scrubs," but are they not the

same institutional pajamas worn by the troubled residents of many psychiatric hospitals? Worse, it is not just the surgeons who are wearing the scrubs. All of the doctors are now doing it. Even the Manolo's own celebrity podiatrist — the man whose most tricky operation involves the rasp and the recalcitrant bunion — even he has begun to affect this disconcerting style. Perhaps this happened at that moment when the nurses began to dress like the circus clowns, in the gaudy polyester prints that have mostly replaced the starchy white uniforms of the past.

Happily, there are the few, like the Manolo's friend Lucia, who know that if one is the professional, one must dress the part. This it is why the Manolo would suggest the Nanico from the Bruno Magli ($221, zappos.com), as the handsome and serious shoe that will inspire the confidence in your abilities as the professional.

@ Ask the Manolo a question at manolo@shoeblogs.com. Visit the Manolo at shoeblogs.com.

ON THE COVER

Leather wristlet by Renee Davide ($135, funkylala.com). **Photo by Michelle Repiso.**

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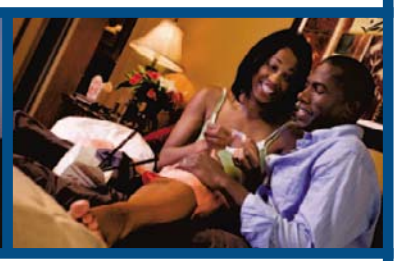

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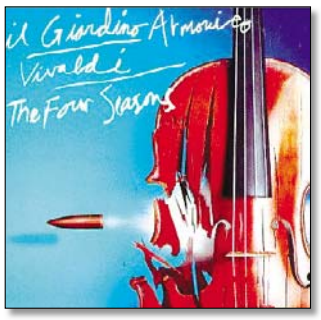
CLINK GLASSES FILLED WITH Dr. Konstantin Frank Riesling. "It's dry, not too sticky sweet and it was just featured in Wine Spectator, so people will know you're in the know," explained Rachel Jones, bar manager at the vinophile destination Firefly. **($17, WEGMANS)**

Garden Variety

Fancypants don't BBQ. Instead, their outdoor affairs are dubbed garden parties. And to throw a successfully snobby one takes work. "You need delicious drinks, music and hats to make it festive," said Proper Topper owner Anna Fuhrman, who hosts one at her Georgetown store each Thursday. "And then you hope the weather cooperates."

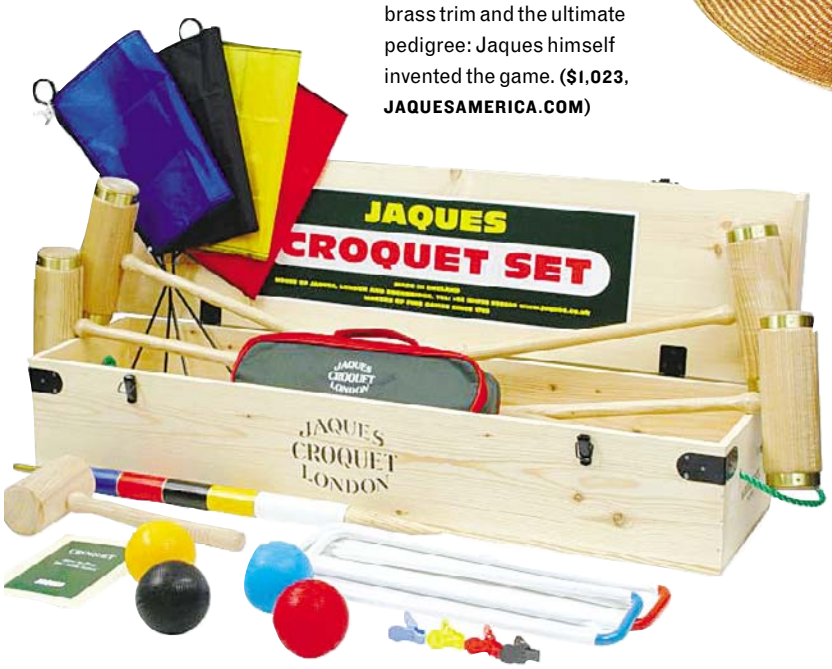
VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)

DAPPER DUDES can pull off headgear like this crisp "Vinnie" Panama designed by Louise Green. Pick a band that matches your school colors. **($180, PROPER TOPPER, 1350 CONNECTICUT AVE. NW; 202-842-3055 AND 3213 P ST. NW; 202-333-6200)**



STRING QUARTET TOO PRICEY? Then a CD will have to suffice. Georgina Javor of Strathmore Hall says anything with vocals is a no-no. She recommended Vivaldi's Four Seasons — preferably the recording by Il Giardino Armonico **($11, AMAZON.COM)**.

AN EXPENSIVE, EXPANSIVE LAWN is required for croquet. The Jaques Oxford set features mallets with brass trim and the ultimate pedigree: Jaques himself invented the game. **($1,023, JAQUESAMERICA.COM)**



FLOWERS ARE AS KEY ON YOUR HEAD as in your garden. This Louise Green millinery masterpiece is only appropriate during daytime hours. **($313, PROPER TOPPER)**

GLEAMING STEEL MEETS CLASSY MOD in the sleek Del Mar Beverage Stand. Gotta keep drinks chilled or the neighbors will talk. **($219, SMITHANDHAWKEN.COM)**

bash in a flash

Butterstick's Birthday Party

Panda-monium has simmered down since Tai Shan plumped into a slightly larger ball of fur. But this weekend, everyone's going wild as he turns one! At the National Zoo, Whole Foods will be distributing 1,000 cupcakes, and visitors can crawl in the crates that transported mama and papa bear from China. Panda Express locations will be passing out free plush pandas and birthday cards.

> Keep your guests' waistlines slim with apples and carrots, both panda faves.

If you want to avoid the heat, throw a panda party at home. Pandas International, a non-profit that supports the Giant Panda, is offering $25 packs of stickers, masks and photo CDs to raise money for the animals (pandasinternational.org). "Decorate cupcakes to look like pandas by using Oreos for the ears," suggests director Suzanne Braden.

Back at the zoo, Butterstick will be munching on a fruitsicle, so feel free to freeze up some pops for your crowd, too. But just because Tai Shan is getting bigger doesn't mean you have to. Keep your guests' waistlines slim with apples and carrots, both panda faves. V.H.

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Equality Has Now Arrived!

■ The International Male Problem Solvers Line (internationalmale.com) brings tummy-sucking technology to the men of the world. These garments will push, prod and pad your physique into a semblance of well-muscled sveltness, the only cost being that you will look entirely ridiculous when you've shucked down to your skivvies.

One amazingly unbashful tester found the Padded Butt Brief ($28) disappointing, as it did not give him the desired appearance of junk in the trunk. And it didn't resolve his biggest bony-butt complaint: He was still uncomfortable sitting on hard surfaces. The undies didn't make a tactile difference, either, as the tester's girlfriend attested. However: "I suspect the visual would have been improved if I'd been wearing tighter pants," the jeans-wearer said.

The Knee-Length Shaper ($25), which looks like bike shorts, gave another tester a smoother look in the tummy and bum areas, though he found them constricting. As was the One-Piece Body Trimmer ($45), designed to eliminate any hint of pudge. Although our tester tried a large, the sizes seem to run small, leading to an amusing hop-struggle-grunt dance through the living room in an attempt to get them on.

KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

BONE, CARVED WOOD and brass star in Gara Danielle's bangles. They'd spice up a white dress or look apropos with a caftan. **($38-$56, GARADANIELLE.COM)**

Tribe Vibe

Maybe Brad and Angelina were onto a trend with that Namibia sojourn. African influences — tribal patterns, woven straw, rustic wood — seem hotter than the Sahara. "In Africa we like bright colors and bold statements," said Julie Nixon of Swaziland decor company Gone Rural. Go for the continental shift by donning a print top or adding some folk art to your pad. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

WOMEN IN SWAZILAND plait grass to form Gone Rural's trad-method, rad-design placemats. **($15, MUSEUM OF AFRICAN ART SHOP, 950 INDEPENDENCE AVE. SW; 202-786-2147)**

BREEZY COTTONS mesh on Chulo Pony's top. "In Africa, they juxtapose brights and darks," said CP's Crystal Heald. **($95, CIRCLE BOUTIQUE, 1608 17TH ST. NW; 202-518-2212)**

BRASS TRIANGLES AND a bead bird decorate a wooden stool from Ghana. In Africa, these short pieces serve as seats; stateside, they make swell footrests or magazine racks. **($42, BAZAAR ATLAS, 2405 18TH ST. NW; 202-332-4911)**

BASKET-STYLE WOVEN LEATHER HEELS and goat-suede uppers mean you should save Melanie Dizon's wedges for dinners at the game lodge (or one of D.C.'s Ethiopian cafes) instead of donning them on safari. **(VERVE, 212-675-6693)**

SUITABLE FOR A CHIC CHIEF, Hoss' cool cotton duster boasts cowry shell details, fringe trim and a rope tie. It'd look stately for a drum circle or a night at the theater. **(ON LOKATION, 202-270-3911)**

Fashion's Seamy Side

Good clothing calls for a tailor's nips and tucks

THAT MAN ACROSS THE BAR looks swell in his Jon Stewart-style pin-striped suit. That is, until you zoom in for a close up, and you see his jacket dwarfs his shoulders and his pant cuffs scrape the floor. This power dresser doesn't have the accomplice all clotheshorses need: a tailor.

But why take your new shirt or cocktail frock to a pro handy with a sewing machine and thread? It's the fit, stupid.

Though a piece of clothing at a store might seem made for you, it was cut for a model whose body probably looks nothing like yours. Even things in "your" size could need nipping or hemming. Such tweaks can mean the difference between getting dressed and looking well-dressed. "A great suit is dead in its tracks if it doesn't fit," said Tara Weintritt of D.C.-area personal-shopping service Two Fashionistas (twofashionistas.com).

In an ideal world, clothes would come out of shopping bags fitting perfectly. But in Non-Couture Land, that's rarely the case. "Men tend to wear their pants too short," said Weintritt. "You won't believe how many socks you see!"

Women often buy garments too large, donning blazers with huge shoulders or pants that bag at the waist, exposing their panties à la Monica Lewinsky.

"There's a gap between the rack and the customer that has to be filled by a seam here and there," said Betsy Fisher, owner of the eponymous Dupont Circle women's boutique.

But how do you know if something needs tailoring? "If you paid good money for it and it doesn't feel perfect when you slip it on," said Weintritt. This means an H&M top can go as-is, but that Armani suit may need work.

Pay attention to problems like looseness in the bust, excess fabric in the rear of pants and any tightness at the waist or shoulders of jackets. Fisher said structured pieces are usually worth taking in. Knits, however, will likely conform to the body without any tailoring.

> Guys wear too-short pants; gals buy too big. Tailors can fix all that.

Above all, don't buy items that are much too small or way too big; they're not worth the fix-it fees.

So how do you get hooked up with a fit alchemist? Stores like Nordstrom and Brooks Brothers offer in-house services at an additional cost. Tailors also operate out of dry cleaners. Finally, for trickier jobs, consider a master tailor, probably someone who owns a shop.

Score a recommendation from well-dressed friends or boutique owners. Fisher's clients often call on Alicia Lagos of Imperial Valet Cleaners (1331 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-785-1444). Another District-area tailor with a good rep, Dien Do, operates his own shop in Georgetown (1083 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-2913).

While many folks consult a pro stitcher only for dressy duds, Do said he's been busy lately hemming jeans. "One customer buys them at The Gap and has them tailored. They look like $200 pants," he said. But when getting your Sevens taken up, be sure the tailor uses the same color thread found in the original hem.

Tailoring prices vary greatly depending on the job and who's doing it. A pants or skirt hem generally costs $10 to $15; more serious redos, particularly anything involving zippers or jackets, can run $30 and up per job.

Perhaps the best advice may be to buy things that fit well to begin with. Said Weintritt: "Tailoring can make an average piece look amazing, but not having an item fit can make your entire outfit look cheap."

MAURA JUDKIS

peeves of the pros

PLEASE STOP...

Speedy Pedis

■ "You can't expect a good pedicure to be super quick," said manicurist Anh Luu. "I'd allow 50 minutes to an hour." Luu has been treating tootsies and fingernails for 15 years; she currently buffs, trims and polishes at The Barber Shop (1825 I ST. NW; 202-441-1895) at International Square.

Yeah, what you might call a hand-and-foot chop shop can do a shine and a nail cut in 30 minutes. But Luu said a rush job like that misses the point. "Most people in D.C. work so hard, they need to relax during a pedicure," she said.

And spending a few more milliseconds means your technician can take the time to do things correctly. Luu said this means using scrubs to smooth heel calluses and applying polish in thin coats, which makes your piggy paint long-lasting and shiny.

She also warned against technicians who don't wash pedicure bowls between treatments, which can promote icky fungal growth. "But, if you do your toes right, I guarantee a man will kiss your feet," she said. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

what we bought

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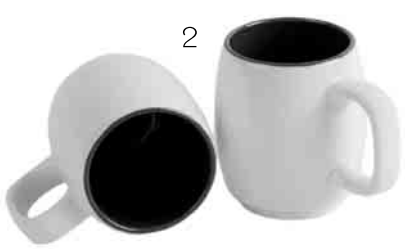

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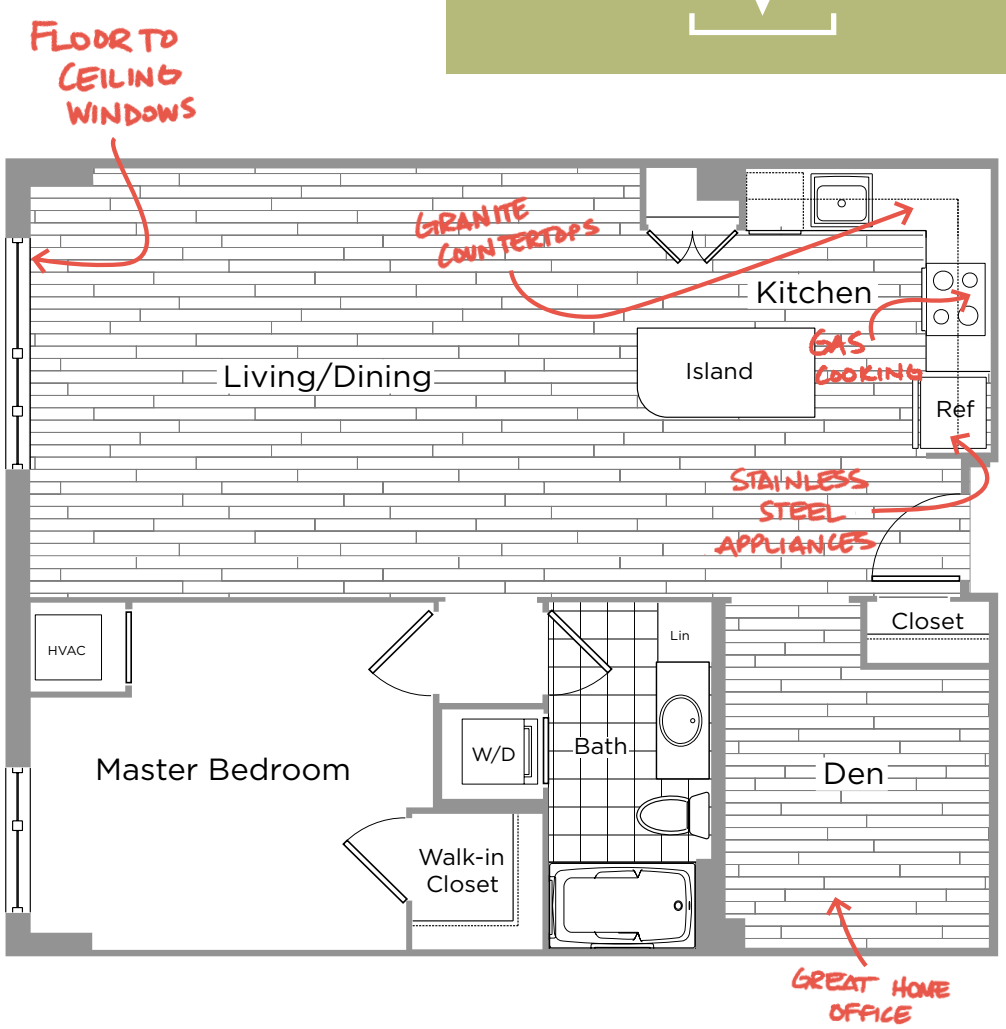

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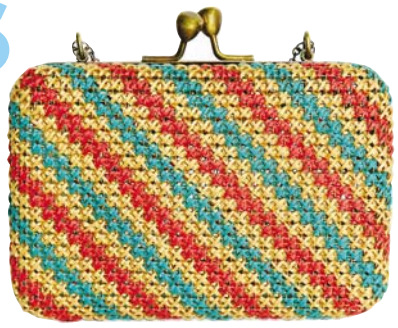

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Olsen twins, take note: The oversized hobo is no more. Defined lines and functional details (chains, chunky closures) distinguish the latest in over-the-shoulder wallet-holders. And Mary-Kate? Size matters, kiddo, but it's all relative. "Especially with the oversized bags, more petite women should be wearing something smaller," said Gregg Andrews, a fashion director for Nordstrom. KATE GHILONI

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Julia Szabo in a room she designed for DogHaus, an event benefiting the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Pet Projects

Cat hair goes haute with pet-friendly homes

YOU LOVE YOUR LITTLE FUZZBUTT, don't you? But sometimes it seems like your home is a battleground: You versus hair, drool, toys and mystery substances so foul you pray you never discover their true source of origin. What to do when your love of your pets and your love of style seem to be eternally at odds?

From clean, modern lines to over-the-top ornamentation, designs for furry friends now go far beyond Louis Vuitton pet carriers and Swarovski collars. "Years ago, the only option you had was the dog bed with the pawprint motif," said Julia Szabo, New York Post pet columnist and author of "Animal House Style: Designing a House to Share With Your Pets" ($20, Bulfinch). "People don't have to sacrifice style to live with one or more pets."

Szabo's philosophy is to make one's house pet-friendly, not pet-proof. Her book combines style sense and common sense: For example, she recommends ceramic tile, which can be chosen to complement almost any decor, but cautions folks to combine it with a dark grout — the better to hide paw-borne dirt.

Many of her strategies work for families with kids, too — and people in general. She suggests upholstering furniture with Crypton, a synthetic fabric that's treated to resist stains, moisture and bacteria. "People don't have to know it's for your dog or cat. If the children get on there with jammy hands, you don't have to worry about anything. If a friend spills a glass of wine, it's fine. We should all just be comfortable."

This bed has "dog" written on the headboard in Mandarin. ($1,400 and up, Georgetown Pet Gallery)

> "People say, 'I don't want to mess up my house.' And you really don't have to."

Woody Nelson, owner of the Georgetown Pet Gallery (3204 O St. NW; 202-333-3172), said that "people treat their pets like children. They want nice collars for parties, just like they'd dress their children nicely."

To him, the two most important items, for both your own style and your pet's health, are the raised feeder (it holds food and water bowls at a more comfortable level for eating) and the pet bed. A supper station keeps pets' eating areas neater, while the bed helps keep beasties off the sofa or the people-bed, eliminating the fine film of hair that's often the bane of pet owners.

Nelson sells a variety of home accessories (as well as collars, leashes and toys), from a raised feeder that looks like a '50s diner to an ornate, plush feline bed that's shaped like a piano and plays "Memory" from "Cats." "If you have an elaborate bedroom, you want an elaborate pet bed to complement that," he said.

While dogs seem to get the most attention, cats style has also crept into the market. Szabo's personal favorite is the Kattbank ($1,740 to $2,200, kattbank.com). "It's the best thing since cat litter," she said of the sleek benches, which cover litterboxes and use a ventilation system to fight odors.

Animal-house style isn't just about looking good — it's about doing good, too. "One of the biggest barriers to adoption is people say, 'I don't want to mess up my house,' " said Szabo, who lives with six dogs and six cats. "And you really don't have to. If I can do it, you certainly can do it."

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peeves of the pros

PLEASE STOP...

Asking for Too Many Bids

■ "When it comes to home repairs or remodeling, people think the more bids you get the better, which isn't the case," said Marla Selko, president of Urban Referrals (202-332-0848, URBANREFERRALS.COM), a free-for-homeowners contract-referral company. "Meeting with six contractors just gets confusing, and you don't end up saving." Start with just one: "You want to actually meet with a contractor first to establish the scope of work, so when you do get another bid, you'll be comparing apples to apples."

Securing two bids is absolutely a good idea — and if those two are vastly different, a third may be in order. But doing your homework is time better spent than collecting bids. Make sure the contractors you choose are insured, bonded and have good references. (Whom you should definitely call. Ask the contractor to take you to see a recently completed job, too.) And keep some perspective throughout the process, said Selko: "Don't try to compare the guy who works out of the back of his truck with a bid from an established company." KATE GHILONI

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Lit-Up Lamps and Walls

Q I need a good floor lamp for my sort-of-Art Deco-looking living room. I don't want it for reading, but for atmosphere. I love those lamps with crystal balls on their bases at Restoration Hardware, but they cost a gazillion bucks. Suggestions?

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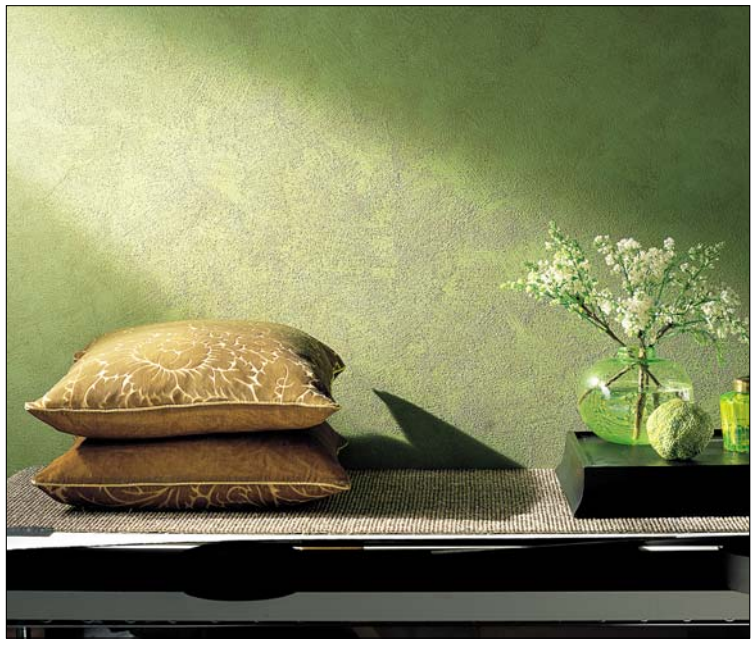
Since you don't need this lamp to help you pore over work but more to create a nice, non-office-y atmosphere, you've got lots of options. Look for something tall, preferably with a mood-creating dimmer. But don't limit yourself to trad lamps with shades. An inverted "torchiere"— a lamp with a reflector bowl and usually no shade—would look romantic and reflect light toward the ceiling.

There are lots of illuminating choices at Bellacor Lighting at (877-723-5522; bellacor.com). The Web site lets you sort by lamp type, style, finish and price.

Since your room leans toward early 20th-century glamor, hunt under styles like "Art Deco" or "Urban Contemporary." My scan came up with 513 hits, including a "Crystal Spheres" floor lamp with an edgy, brown-striped shade ($175) and the "Deluxe Torchiere Floor Lamp" with an all-crystal body and inverted glass shade ($273). Those prices should make you glad the $595 Restoration lamp didn't come to live with you.



Most paint manufacturers make glazes (like this one from Benjamin Moore), which can add texture to walls or lessen the punch of a color that looks a bit too bright.

Q I painted my basement TV room orange, hoping for a warm feel. I used gloss instead of semi-gloss, and now my den looks like the Great Pumpkin blew up. Will a glaze help?

That does sound like an unexpected harvest. You could add glaze to darken the mega-orange if it's too bright, but it won't make the finish more matte or less glaring. If you want a matte finish, go back to the paint store and get the same color in a flat or eggshell finish and repaint. One coat should do it.

If you just want to mellow the color and are OK with the sheen, there are many new glazes on the market that are easy to work with. A glaze is a clear product which you "tint" by adding paint. Using it can add depth and texture to your walls, and it might make them appear less bright.

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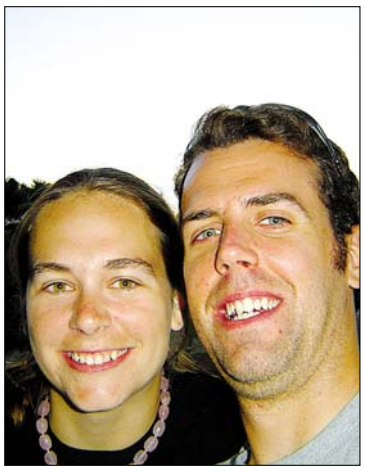


Jennifer Mandeville, Chris Schultheiss

Jennifer, 28, is a science teacher and swim coach at Maret School in Washington. Chris, 30, is a certified athletic trainer at Catholic University. They live in Washington.

THE MAIN EVENT: A "very informal" outdoor ceremony on July 8 in Crozet, Va., with 105 guests expected.

HOW THEY MET: "My high school best friend set us up," said Chris. "We really hit it off and ended up writing letters to each other for the two years that Jen was in the Peace Corps in Africa."

FIRST DATE: Karaoke night at a pub in Philadelphia.

HOW HE PROPOSED: At the World War II Memorial.

STUPIDEST FIGHT: "Filling out this survey and arguing over each other's memories of our past events as a couple," said Chris.

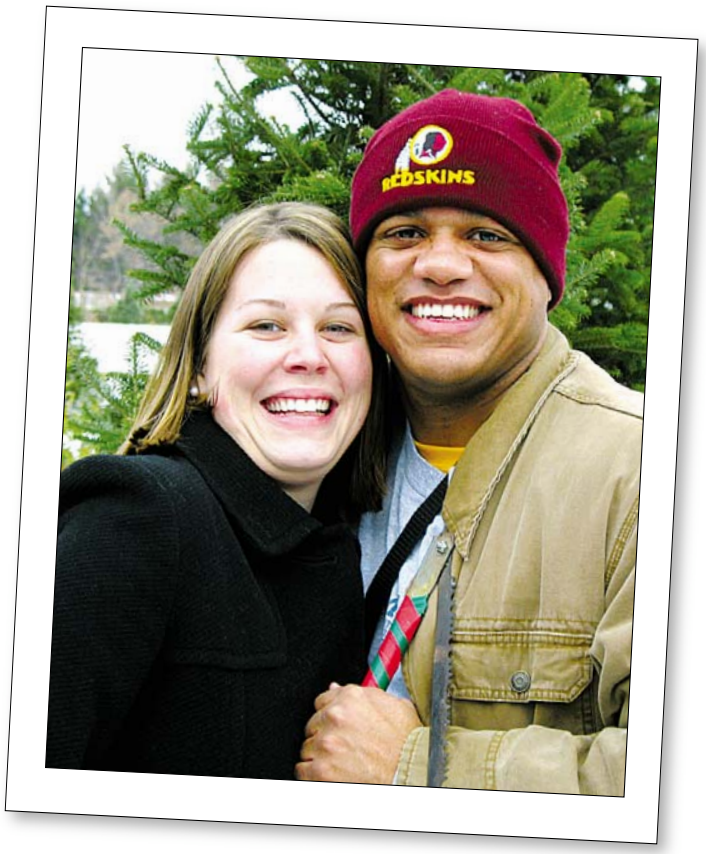
MOST HATED CLOTHING ITEM: "Chris' pleated pants collection," said Jen.

CELEBRATING HERITAGE: "We're having a bluegrass band to acknowledge my Georgia roots," said Jen. Also, "all of the bridesmaids are carrying the flowers that my mom and grandmoms carried, as well as Chris' mom and grandmoms."

MAKING IT UNIQUE: They'll have a bonfire and make s'mores after the ceremony.

MMM, CAKE: Half lemon pound cake and half carrot cake with amaretto frosting.

"My dad is a jokester and I am terrified of his toast," said Jen.



Standing on the Edge

The proposal that **MATTHEW MCGUIRE** set up for **SARAH HOLLAND** wasn't one for the faint of heart. "We went to the Aran Islands, which are off the west coast of Ireland," said Sarah. "We went exploring on the main island and hiked up a huge hill and traveled over rocks and limestone. We were standing on the 300-foot cliff overlooking the Atlantic when he popped the question!"

The couple met at Mount St. Mary's College (now Mount St. Mary's University), when Matt was the senior R.A. in Sarah's dorm. "I was instantly attracted to Sarah, but felt that having anything beyond a friendship with a resident would be inappropriate," said Matt. "He graduated that year and I didn't think I would ever hear from him again. Once my junior year started, he contacted me. And the rest is history," said Sarah.

Sarah, 22, is a realtor with RE/MAX. Matt, 25, is a child welfare advocate for a government contractor. They will marry Oct. 21 in Catonsville, Md., and will live "most likely in Germantown or Columbia" after the wedding.

Scott Freling, Dara Kestenbaum

Scott, 26, is a law clerk at the U.S. Court of Federal Claims. Dara, 26, is an associate attorney at Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP. They live in Woodley Park.

THE MAIN EVENT: An outdoor Jewish ceremony for 200 guests in Manchester, Vt., on August 19.

HOW THEY MET: While freshmen at Washington University in St. Louis. "Dara walked in 10 minutes late to a small political science class on the first day of our second semester," said Scott.

FIRST DATE: After a downpour left the car-less couple unable to walk to the intended site of the date, they went to the student center. "Dara had to use her meal plan points to pay for me since I didn't have any to spare," said Scott.

"As I adjusted to law firm life, Scott always made sure that I continued to smile."

HOW HE PROPOSED: After dinner at Cafe Milano, "Scott had arranged for a car service to take us to a room at the Hotel Madison. When I opened the door there were 100 red roses in vases all over the room. Candles dotted the furniture and rose petals covered the bed and floor. There was champagne and chocolate-covered strawberries, too!" said Dara.

STUPIDEST FIGHT: "Over where to dispose of an extinguished match that we had just used to light a candle," said Scott.

Max Brandy, Eileen Franz

Max, 27, is a litigation paralegal at Ober, Kaler, Grimes and Shriver in Washington. Eileen, 27, is a department manager for Barnes & Noble in Rockville. They live in Silver Spring.

THE MAIN EVENT: A "not too formal" Jewish ceremony for 175 guests on July 16 in Philadelphia.

THE HONEYMOON: A week in Mexico. "Our only worry will be having to share the hot tub and the hammock!" said Eileen.

HOW THEY MET: On the Internet, but "it wasn't completely random," said Max. "One of her friends was talking to her, and I needed to check something on the computer. She popped up and I pretended to be her friend. I went back to my room and began chatting with her myself."

FIRST IMPRESSIONS: "I can't believe this guy drove all the way to Philly just to go out with me," said Eileen.

FIRST DATE: Lilith Fair. "I still have the T-shirt from that concert," said Eileen.

HOW HE PROPOSED: Max asked some friends to arrange flowers and candles around the living room, with the ring in the center of the coffee table, while the couple was at dinner.

THEIR SONG: "Looking in the Eyes of Love" by Alison Krauss and Union Station. "It expresses almost exactly the way I feel about Eileen," said Max.

WEDDING JITTERS: Eileen worries that she won't be able to use the bathroom in her dress.

WITH AN UNLIMITED BUDGET ... "I would have had it someplace more unique," said Eileen. "Like an art museum or a baseball stadium."

Getting Married? If you'd like to see your wedding or commitment ceremony in B.I.O., send your favorite informal photograph (wacky is fine, but please don't send a formal engagement shot), plus your names, contact information and the ceremony date to weddings@readexpress.com. We'll contact you with some questions as your big day approaches.

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How to Play

The rules of Samurai Sudoku are the same as in the popular Sudoku puzzles that appear in Express and The Washington Post.

As with standard Sudoku, the Samurai version requires no math, just logic, reasoning ... and an iron will. The goal is to fill in each column, row and 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9 without repeating any. The twist in Samurai Sudoku is that the digits that appear in the overlapping boxes must work for both puzzles.

A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus on completing one grid at a time. Keep the whole puzzle in mind as you go, because filling in a number in one grid could give you clues to another. As always, there's only one solution, which will appear in next week's edition of Weekend Styles.

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